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Overview

18.1 The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) is responsible for the implementation of the programme of work under this section. The programme is guided by the Commission and its subsidiary organs, namely, the thematic Committees on Poverty Reduction, Managing Globalization and Emerging Social Issues, and eight sectoral subcommittees.

18.2 The activities for which ESCAP is responsible fall within the framework of programme 15, Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific, of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007.

18.3 The overall objective of the programme is to promote economic and social development, with special emphasis on increasing access to opportunities for individuals, communities and economies in the Asian and Pacific region, in three key thematic areas as identified by the Commission, namely, poverty reduction, managing globalization and addressing persistent and emerging social issues.

18.4 The internationally agreed goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration and the outcomes of key major global conferences, serve as the overarching framework for the programme, with special focus given to Millennium Development Goals 1, 3, 6, 7 and 8 and the key areas with regard to the follow-up to major global conferences, including the International Conference on Financing for Development, the World Summit on Sustainable Development and the World Summit on the Information Society.

18.5 "Meeting the challenges in an era of globalization by strengthening regional development cooperation" was the main theme of the commemorative sixtieth session of the Commission in Shanghai. The work of the Commission has been designed to reflect the overall vision contained in the Shanghai Declaration, adopted by the Commission in its resolution 60/1.

18.6 ESCAP will build on the comparative advantage of the United Nations in addressing economic and social issues through its convening authority. ESCAP serves as the only comprehensive regional intergovernmental forum in Asia and the Pacific for tackling interrelated development issues within a coherent and integrated framework.

18.7 The linkages in the programme's normative, analytical and operational work, a particular feature of the work of the regional commissions, will be strengthened to ensure value added support to members and associate members in their efforts to enhance national capacity in three key areas: (a) formulating economic and social development policies and programmes; (b) negotiating effectively in multilateral and regional forums; and (c) reviewing progress in achieving the internationally agreed goals and targets.

18.8 In view of the importance accorded by the Commission to the work of the four ESCAP regional institutions, which are subsidiary bodies of the Commission, the outputs of those institutions have been duly reflected. The four regional institutions are: (a) the Asian and Pacific Centre for Agricultural Engineering and Machinery, based in Beijing; (b) the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology, based in New Delhi; (c) the Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Secondary Crops Development in Asia and the Pacific, based in Bogor, Indonesia; and (d) the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific, based in Chiba, Japan.

18.9 Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/269 of 23 December 2003, a new subprogramme on development of Pacific island countries and territories has been established to address, in a more coherent manner, the special needs and circumstances of the 19 small island developing countries and territories in the Pacific, which comprise a significant portion of the Commission's membership. The overall objective of this subprogramme, which will be implemented by the

ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre, based in Suva, is to build policy and management capacity of those countries and territories focusing on the Commission's three thematic priority areas, as outlined in paragraph 18.3.

18.10 Emphasis has been given to the special needs of the least developed and landlocked countries as well as economies in transition, which have been mainstreamed in all subprogrammes to ensure that priority is accorded to these special groups of countries in the implementation of the programme of work, particularly in support of the achievement of the Millennium Development Goal of halving extreme poverty by the year 2015.

18.11 Recognizing that gender equality is a necessary precondition for the advancement of Asian and Pacific societies, ESCAP has mainstreamed gender into all relevant subprogrammes. The process of assessing the implications for women and men of any planned action, including legislation, policies and programmes, will continue to be accorded priority.

18.12 The Commission carries out its activities in cooperation with other departments and offices of the Secretariat, entities of the United Nations system and entities external to the United Nations, including the Asian Development Bank, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, the Economic Cooperation Organization, the secretariat of the Pacific Community, the Council of Regional Organizations for the Pacific, the Asian Clearing Union, the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation, the Mekong River Commission, the ESCAP/World Meteorological Organization Typhoon Committee and Panel on Tropical Cyclones, and non-governmental organizations and academic institutions, as well as the private sector. Such collaboration and cooperation include joint planning of programmes and preparation of studies and reports, participating in meetings, knowledge networking and sharing of technical expertise.

18.13 The expected accomplishments and indicators of achievement for the Commission in the biennium 2006-2007 are set out in detail, together with estimated resource requirements under programme of work, as well as under executive direction and management. The overall framework of the expected accomplishments and indicators of achievement is shown in table 18.1.

Table 18.1 **Framework of expected accomplishments and indicators of achievement by component**

Component	*Number of expected accomplishments*	*Number of indicators of achievement*
Executive direction and management	5	8
Programme of work		
1. Poverty and development	3	3
2. Statistics	2	2
3. Development of Pacific island countries and territories	2	2
4. Trade and investment	2	3
5. Transport and tourism	2	4
6. Environment and sustainable development	2	3
7. Information, communication and space technology	2	2
8. Social development, including persistent and emerging issues	2	2
Total	**22**	**29**

18.14 To enable ESCAP to ensure that its programme of work is fully aligned with the priorities of its membership and is also cost-effective and efficient, a rigorous internal review of the existing and planned activities was undertaken. Through this review, which was complemented by an intensive intergovernmental review process by the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by the Members of the Commission, a series of eight legislative

subcommittees and the Commission, a significant number of outputs of marginal utility were eliminated and replaced by new outputs that are more responsive to the emerging needs of the ESCAP membership.

18.15 A rigorous review of the value added by publications to the achievement of the expected accomplishments of each subprogramme under the programme of work was undertaken. That review resulted in the programming of the recurrent and non-recurrent publications summarized below and as distributed in the output information for each subprogramme.

Table 18.2 **Summary of publications**

Publications	*2002-2003 actual*	*2004-2005 estimate*	*2006-2007 estimate*
Recurrent	116	79	89
Non-recurrent	60	38	17
Total	**176**	**117**	**106**

18.16 The overall resources required for the biennium 2006-2007 for this section amount to $65,375,200 before recosting, reflecting an increase of $308,100 (or 0.5 per cent). The growth shown in table 18.4 can be summarized as follows:

(a) The decrease of $5,800 under policymaking organs relates to reduced requirements for travel of conference-servicing staff and expendable conference supplies;

(b) The increase of $84,500 under executive direction and management for posts is in response to resolution 59/4 of the Commission on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010, wherein the Executive Secretary was requested to ensure that the priorities and commitments identified in the Programme of Action were mainstreamed in the programme of work of each subprogramme. In addition, a review of the overall programme management needs of the secretariat resulted in the consolidation of functions for programme planning in the Programme Management Division under programme support. This required the following redeployments: the inward redeployment of a P-3 post and two Local level posts from programme support and the outward redeployment of a P-4 post to programme support;

(c) The net increase of $930,500 under programme of work would be utilized to strengthen the linkages between the programme's normative, analytical and operational work and to provide support and align the work of the Commission's regional institutions with the thematic priorities of ESCAP as requested by the Commission at its sixtieth session. This provides for the proposed establishment of one P-5 post in each of the following areas: (i) poverty reduction, focusing on the development of secondary crops under subprogramme 1; (ii) agricultural engineering and machinery development to promote trade and investment under subprogramme 4; and (iii) transfer of technology and promotion of innovative systems under subprogramme 7. Furthermore, to strengthen the new subprogramme 3 on development of Pacific island countries and territories, in accordance with Commission resolutions 60/6 on the revitalization of the United Nations ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre and 60/7 on the Pacific Urban Agenda, the establishment of one P-4 post and the inward redeployment of one Local level post from programme support are proposed. In addition, in pursuance of the regional follow-up of the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society, it is proposed that subprogramme 7 be strengthened through the establishment of one P-2 post in exchange for the abolition of one Local level post. The above net increase also takes into account the delayed impact of four P-2 posts established in the biennium 2004-2005. In

summary, the strengthening of the programme of work would result in additional requirements of $938,800 for posts, partly offset by a decrease in non-post requirements of $8,300, particularly for consultants;

(d) Under programme support, the net decrease of $701,100 relates to a decrease of $1,071,500 for posts, partly offset by an increase of $370,400 for non-post costs. ESCAP proposes the abolition of 15 Local level posts, 14 of which are under programme support, because of improved cost-effectiveness realized through the utilization of contractual services, particularly in the areas of information technology and facility management, and increased productivity as a result of increased automation of processes and investment in information technology. In addition, ESCAP proposes the outward redeployment of four posts (1 P-3 and 2 Local level posts to executive direction and management and 1 Local level post to subprogramme 3), offset by the inward redeployment of a P-4 post from executive direction and management. The increase in non-post resources is required mainly to ensure continuity of functions that can be more effectively performed through contractual services in areas where Local level posts are abolished and to provide for additional operating expenses and investment in information technology.

18.17 During the biennium 2006-2007, the projected extrabudgetary resources, amounting to $26,080,900, will be utilized to supplement regular budget resources to implement mandated as well as technical cooperation activities, such as technical advisory services, training, workshops, seminars and field projects, that are required as inputs to the Commission's analytical and normative work and to support Governments, at their request, in the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and in the implementation of activities related to the outcomes of major global conferences and other key global and regional mandates, as well as to respond to new mandates addressing the impact of the recent South-East Asian/Indian Ocean tsunami. Extrabudgetary resources play a critical role in attaining the expected accomplishments under the programme of work. The projected increase is proposed mainly to fund additional activities associated with the establishment of multi-hazard early warning systems for tsunamis and other natural disasters in the region and is related to increased recognition by donors of the value of the Commission's technical cooperation work in supporting its membership to build capacity in economic and social fields, particularly through regional cooperation.

18.18 Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/269, resources identified for the conduct of monitoring and evaluation, which are crucial to ensuring that high-quality services are provided to the ESCAP membership, amount to $825,700 (reflected under subprogrammes 1-8 and programme support), of which $450,200 is funded under the programme budget ($380,700 for post-related resources and $69,500 in non-post resources) and $375,500 from extrabudgetary resources.

18.19 The estimated percentage distribution of the resources of the programme in the biennium 2006-2007 is as shown in table 18.3.

18.20 The distribution of resources is summarized in tables 18.4 and 18.5.

Table 18.3 **Percentage distribution of resources by component**

Component	*Regular budget*	*Extrabudgetary*
A. Policymaking organs	1.3	—
B. Executive direction and management	6.1	0.1
C. Programme of work		
1. Poverty and development	9.1	9.7
2. Statistics	4.5	18.1
3. Development of Pacific island countries and territories	2.0	1.5
4. Trade and investment	6.7	10.0
5. Transport and tourism	7.2	4.6
6. Environment and sustainable development	7.4	23.6
7. Information, communication and space technology	5.6	11.9
8. Social development, including persistent and emerging issues	8.0	11.1
Subtotal C	**50.5**	**90.5**
D. Programme support	42.1	9.4
Total	**100.0**	**100.0**

Table 18.4 **Resource requirements by component**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) *Regular budget*

Component	*2002-2003 expenditure*	*2004-2005 appropriation*	*Resource growth*		*Total before recosting*	*Recosting*	*2006-2007 estimate*
			Amount	*Percentage*			
A. Policymaking organs	602.1	861.3	(5.8)	(0.7)	855.5	38.0	893.5
B. Executive direction and management	3 146.7	3 917.7	84.5	2.2	4 002.2	238.3	4 240.5
C. Programme of work	29 112.4	32 060.4	930.5	2.9	32 990.9	1 974.7	34 965.6
D. Programme support	25 751.5	28 227.7	(701.1)	(2.5)	27 526.6	1 607.4	29 134.0
Subtotal	**58 612.6**	**65 067.1**	**308.1**	**0.5**	**65 375.2**	**3 858.4**	**69 233.6**

(2) *Extrabudgetary*

	2002-2003 expenditure	*2004-2005 estimate*	*2006-2007 estimate*
Subtotal	**21 095.9**	**21 535.4**	**26 080.9**
Total (1) and (2)	**79 708.5**	**86 602.5**	**95 314.5**

Table 18.5 **Post requirements**

Category	Established regular budget posts		Temporary posts				Total	
			Regular budget		Extrabudgetary			
	2004-2005	2006-2007	2004-2005	2006-2007	2004-2005	2006-2007	2004-2005	2006-2007
Professional and above								
USG	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-2	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	1
D-1	11	11	—	—	5	4	16	15
P-5	29	32	—	—	15	15	44	47
P-4/3	102	103	—	—	9	9	111	112
P-2/1	34	35	—	—	1	—	35	35
Subtotal	**178**	**183**	—	—	**30**	**28**	**208**	**211**
Other								
Local level	261	246	—	—	77	51	338	297
Subtotal	**261**	**246**	—	—	**77**	**51**	338	297
Total	**439**	**429**	—	—	**107**	**79**	**546**	**508**

A. Policymaking organs

Resource requirements (before recosting): $855,500

18.21 The Commission, which in 2004 had 53 members and 9 associate member countries and territories, provides overall direction to the work of its secretariat and reports to the Economic and Social Council. It holds regular annual sessions, with each session comprising a senior officials' segment followed by a ministerial segment. An informal session among the heads of delegations during the ministerial segment of each Commission session may be organized, for which simultaneous interpretation is provided.

18.22 At its fifty-eighth session, in May 2002, the Commission adopted resolution 58/1 on the restructuring of its conference structure. As a result, the intergovernmental subsidiary bodies of the Commission now comprise three thematic committees and eight subcommittees, namely, the Committee on Poverty Reduction (including the Subcommittee on Poverty Reduction Practices and the Subcommittee on Statistics), the Committee on Managing Globalization (including the Subcommittee on International Trade and Investment, the Subcommittee on Transport Infrastructure and Facilitation and Tourism, the Subcommittee on Environment and Sustainable Development and the Subcommittee on Information, Communication and Space Technology) and the Committee on Emerging Social Issues (including the Subcommittee on Socially Vulnerable Groups and the Subcommittee on Health and Development), as well as two special bodies, the Special Body on Least Developed and Landlocked Developing Countries and the Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries. The total duration of the sessions of legislative organs equals 51 meeting days per biennium (for the annual meetings of the Commission, three committees, eight subcommittees and two special bodies). Subject to the approval of the Commission, ad hoc ministerial conferences and ad hoc intergovernmental meetings may also be held during the biennium. In addition to the subsidiary bodies of the Commission, the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by the Commission meets monthly to advise the Executive Secretary on the exercise of his or her functions and to liaise

between the Commission and the secretariat. Meetings of the Commission and its committees and special bodies are normally held at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok. If held at another location, at the invitation of a member Government, all additional costs are borne by the host country.

18.23 Pursuant to resolution 58/1, a midterm review of the functioning of the conference structure was conducted during the sixty-first session of the Commission, in April 2005. At its sixty-third session in 2007, the Commission will undertake an in-depth review of its conference structure, including the thematic priorities and subsidiary structure as part of its continuing efforts to ensure the relevance of the programme.

Table 18.6 **Resource requirements**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Non-post	861.3	855.5	—	—
Total	**861.3**	**855.5**	**—**	**—**

18.24 The amount of $855,500, representing a decrease of $5,800, is required in connection with the meetings of the Commission, its committees and other intergovernmental bodies. The provision covers the cost of temporary assistance for meetings, consultants and experts, travel of supplementary conference-servicing staff and of a staff member from the Regional Commissions New York Office to attend each annual Commission session, editorial services during periods of peak workload, external printing, supplies and materials, hospitality and so on. The reduced amount of $5,800 relates to travel of staff ($3,800) and supplies and materials ($2,000), based on expenditure patterns.

B. Executive direction and management

Resource requirements (before recosting): $4,002,200

18.25 The executive direction and management component comprises the Office of the Executive Secretary, the Least Developed Countries Coordination Unit and the United Nations Information Service.

18.26 The Office of the Executive Secretary provides overall direction, supervision and management of the ESCAP secretariat to ensure that ESCAP plays a major role in the economic and social development of the region and translates issues of global importance into regional action. The core functions of the United Nations Information Service are to disseminate public information on the work of the United Nations and ESCAP throughout the region and to provide information services to the divisions of ESCAP.

18.27 The Least Developed Countries Coordination Unit addresses the special needs and concerns of least developed member countries, landlocked developing member countries and small island developing member countries and mobilizes and coordinates the activities of the secretariat for the benefit of those countries.

Table 18.7 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To ensure full implementation of legislative mandates and compliance with United Nations policies and procedures with respect to the management of the programme of work and of staff and financial resources of ESCAP.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Programme of work is effectively managed and supported by staff and financial resources	(a) (i) Timely delivery of outputs and services *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 89 per cent output delivery within established deadlines Estimate 2004-2005: 95 per cent output delivery within established deadlines Target 2006-2007: 99 per cent output delivery within established deadlines (ii) Timely recruitment and placement of staff *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: average post vacancy of 357 days Estimate 2004-2005: average post vacancy of 334 days Target 2006-2007: average post vacancy of 260 days (iii) Full and effective utilization of resources *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 99 per cent expenditure compared to funds authorized (against revised appropriation for regular budget and extrabudgetary funds authorized for the biennium) Estimate 2004-2005: 99 per cent expenditure compared to funds authorized (against revised appropriation for regular budget and extrabudgetary funds authorized for the biennium)

	Target 2006-2007: 100 per cent expenditure compared to funds authorized (against revised appropriation for regular budget and extrabudgetary funds authorized for the biennium)
(b) Identification of emerging issues that require attention by member States	(b) Increased number of recommendations made by intergovernmental bodies on emerging issues identified by ESCAP *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 9 recommendations Estimate 2004-2005: 12 recommendations Target 2006-2007: 14 recommendations
(c) Enhanced policy coherence in the management of the economic and social development activities of ESCAP	(c) Increased percentage of projects or group training events organized with other United Nations entities *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 10 per cent Estimate 2004-2005: 15 per cent Target 2006-2007: 20 per cent
(d) Progress towards graduation of the least developed countries through mobilization of regional efforts to address the identified concerns of the least developed, landlocked and island developing countries in line with their global mandates	(d) Increased number of substantive decisions, recommendations or resolutions from intergovernmental and legislative meetings that address the specific concerns of the priority groups of countries *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: to be determined at the end of 2005 Target 2006-2007: 10 per cent increase compared to the 2004-2005 value
(e) Mobilization and promotion of public information on the role of ESCAP in Asia and the Pacific	(e) (i) Increased media coverage of ESCAP activities *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 1,300 media articles on ESCAP activities Estimate 2004-2005: 1,320 media articles on ESCAP activities

	Target 2006-2007: 1,400 media articles on ESCAP activities
	(ii) Increased usage of public information provided by ESCAP
	Performance measures:
	2002-2003: 500,000 page views of United Nations Information Service web page
	Estimate 2004-2005: 1.5 million page views of United Nations Information Service web page
	Target 2006-2007: 1.7 million page views of United Nations Information Service web page

External factors

18.28 The component is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) the stakeholders fulfil their responsibilities and obligations; and (b) national institutions are willing to provide relevant information.

Outputs

18.29 During the biennium 2006-2007, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: sessions of the Commission (28);

b. Parliamentary documentation: annual report of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (2); report on management, programme planning and implementation (2);

(ii) Special Body on Least Developed and Landlocked Developing Countries:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (4);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Special Body on Least Developed and Landlocked Developing Countries (1);

(iii) Ad hoc expert groups: one expert group meeting to formulate recommendations on issues related to the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 and the Almaty Programme of Action: Addressing the Special Needs of Landlocked Developing Countries within a New Global Framework for Transit Transport Cooperation for Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries;

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Non-recurrent publications: *Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Programmes of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010* (1);

(ii) Exhibits, guided tours, lectures: programmes for visitors, briefings/lectures on the work of the United Nations and ESCAP; exhibits;

(iii) Booklets, fact sheets, wallcharts, information kits: booklet, pamphlets, fact sheets, wallcharts, press kits, poster and other promotional materials on ESCAP and United Nations priority issues for different purposes; UN Focus newsletter;

(iv) Press releases, press conferences: organization of press conferences, press briefings and press interviews; press releases disseminated for the Department of Public Information of the United Nations Secretariat, the Office of the Secretary-General, other United Nations offices and the specialized agencies; press releases on ESCAP work and activities;

(v) Special events: International Day of Peace (2); United Nations Day (2);

(vi) Audio-visual resources: audio-visual production and educational programmes on ESCAP; United Nations Information Service web page (http://www.unescap.org/unis/index.asp) (quarterly updating); ESCAP web page on least developed, landlocked and island developing countries (http://www.unescap.org/LDC&Poverty/Ldcpovertypage.htm) (quarterly updating); electronic news bulletin (monthly updating).

Table 18.8 **Resource requirements**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	3 566.7	3 651.2	22	24
Non-post	351.0	351.0	—	—
Subtotal	**3 917.7**	**4 000.2**	**22**	**24**
Extrabudgetary	157.2	11.6	4	—
Total	**4 074.9**	**4 013.8**	**26**	**24**

18.30 The amount of $4,002,200 comprises: (a) $3,651,200 for the funding of 24 posts: 12 (5 Professional and 7 General Service) under the Office of the Executive Secretary ($1,926,600), 7 (3 Professional and 4 General Service) under the United Nations Information Service ($886,800) and 5 (3 Professional and 2 General Service) under the Least Developed Countries Coordination Unit ($837,800). The increase of $84,500 under posts is related to: (i) the inward redeployment of three posts (1 P-3 and 2 Local level) from programme support to strengthen the work of the Least Developed Countries Coordination Unit in such areas as mainstreaming the concerns of the least developed and landlocked developing countries in the work of all subprogrammes and servicing the Special Body on Least Developed and Landlocked Developing Countries and to augment the capacity of the Office of the Executive Secretary to service the legislative organs of the Commission; (ii) the outward redeployment of one P-4 post to programme support to strengthen programme management; and (b) $351,000, at the maintenance level, for non-post requirements, including: (i) consultants ($24,800) with expertise not available in the Secretariat for the preparation of studies and for public information consultancy activities, such as the production of films; (ii) expert group meetings ($7,700); (iii) travel of staff ($277,000); (iv) contractual services ($32,600); (v) public information supplies, books, periodicals and subscriptions for the library ($6,900); and (vi) public information exhibition structures for promotional purposes ($2,000).

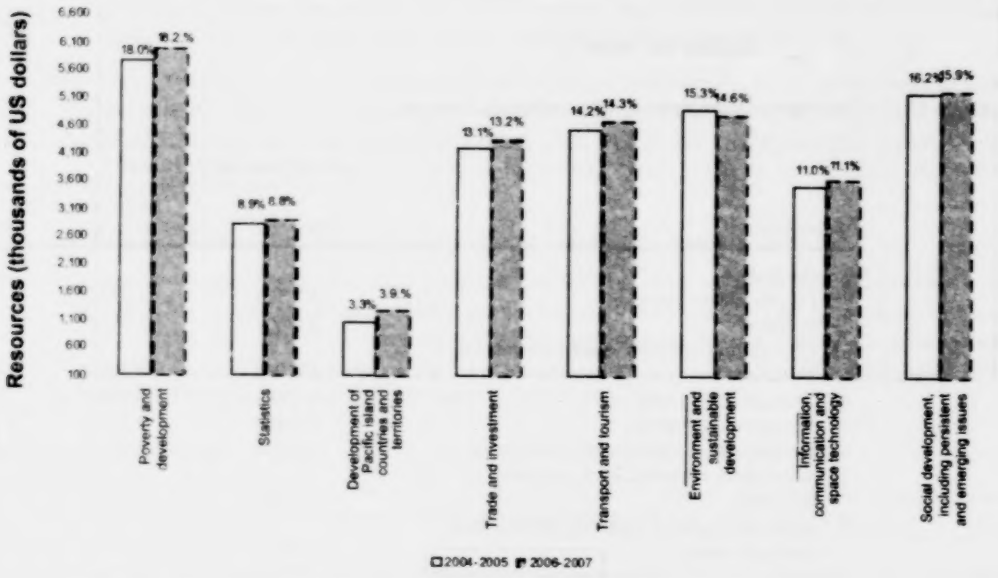
18.31 Extrabudgetary resources totalling $11,600 also enable the Least Developed Countries Coordination Unit to support the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific.

C. Programme of work

Table 18.9 **Resource requirements by subprogramme**

	Resources (thousands of US dollars)		*Posts*	
Subprogramme	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
1. Poverty and development	5 777.9	5 991.9	36	37
2. Statistics	2 842.7	2 917.3	21	21
3. Development of Pacific island countries and territories	1 075.2	1 277.7	5	7
4. Trade and investment	4 209.1	4 358.1	26	27
5. Transport and tourism	4 540.2	4 709.1	27	28
6. Environment and sustainable development	4 905.9	4 806.7	31	30
7. Information, communication and space technology	3 514.2	3 675.9	21	22
8. Social development, including persistent and emerging issues	5 195.2	5 254.2	32	32
Subtotal	**32 060.4**	**32 990.9**	**199**	**204**
Extrabudgetary	19 301.7	23 599.6	87	58
Total	**51 362.1**	**56 590.5**	**286**	**262**

Regular budget resource requirements by subprogramme



Subprogramme 1
Poverty and development

Resource requirements (before recosting): $5,991,900

18.32 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the Poverty and Development Division. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing upon subprogramme 1 of programme 15 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007. The subprogramme is supported by the Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Secondary Crops Development in Asia and the Pacific.

Table 18.10 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To achieve internationally agreed goals and targets relating to poverty reduction and social and economic development.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) National policymakers and planners have increased capacity to design and implement poverty reduction policies that are effective, sustainable and gender-responsive	(a) Increased number of measures taken by policymakers and planners to ensure that poverty reduction policies are more effective, sustainable and gender-responsive *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 30 policy measures Target 2006-2007: 35 policy measures
(b) Increased capacity of Governments, civil society and the private sector in Asia and the Pacific, and particularly the least developed countries, to formulate and implement poverty reduction programmes that are effective, sustainable and gender-responsive and that focus on economically vulnerable groups	(b) Increased number of measures taken at the national level to formulate and implement poverty reduction programmes that are effective, sustainable and gender-responsive *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 5 best practices implemented Estimate 2004-2005: 13 best practices implemented Target 2006-2007: 20 best practices implemented
(c) Increased involvement of civil society organizations in the work of ESCAP	(c) Increased number of civil society organizations participating in the activities of ESCAP *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 3 civil society organizations Target 2006-2007: 8 civil society organizations

External factors

18.33 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) economic, social and political conditions in the target countries remain stable; and (b) local government institutions and civil society organizations have the necessary human and financial capabilities.

Outputs

18.34 During the biennium 2006-2007, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: informal meetings on countries with economies in transition (2);

b. Parliamentary documentation: reports on the Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Secondary Crops Development in Asia and the Pacific (2); reports on the current economic situation and policy issues (2);

(ii) Committee on Poverty Reduction:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Committee on Poverty Reduction (1); report on priority economic policy issues and their impact on poverty reduction (1);

(iii) Subcommittee on Poverty Reduction Practices:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Subcommittee on Poverty Reduction Practices (1); reports on issues in poverty reduction (1);

(iv) Ad hoc expert groups: five expert group meetings on emerging issues in rural poverty reduction (1) and development issues and policies (2) and meetings of eminent persons on economic and social performance and issues (2);

(v) Assistance to representatives, rapporteurs: Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Secondary Crops Development in Asia and the Pacific Governing Council (2);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Asia-Pacific Development Journal* (4); *Bulletin on Asia-Pacific Perspectives* (2); *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific* (2);

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: *Confronting the Challenges of Financing for Development in Asia and the Pacific* (1); *Knowledge Management and Enabling Environments for Poverty Reduction: Guidelines on Upscaling of Good Practices* (1); *Policy Guidelines on the Role of Governments in a Rights-based Approach to Housing* (1);

(iii) Special events: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (2); launching of the annual Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific in selected member countries of ESCAP and United Nations organizations (2); regional celebration of the tenth anniversary of the Second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (1); World Habitat Day (2);

(iv) Technical material: input papers to *World Economic Situation and Prospects*; working paper on prevailing socio-economic disparities within countries of the region and related policy issues; working paper on pro-poor economic growth policies and strategies;

(v) Audio-visual resources: ESCAP web page on poverty and development (http://www.unescap.org/pdd) (quarterly updating); public information materials on the

work of the subprogramme (including brochure, folders, exhibition materials, flyers about projects);

(vi) Substantive servicing of inter-agency meetings: preparing forecasts of major Asia-Pacific countries for Project LINK (2); regional inter-agency consultative meeting on good urban governance (2); thematic working group on poverty reduction and food security (8);

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services on the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus;

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: national seminars on achieving the Millennium Development Goals in the countries of northern and central Asia (150 participants); regional seminar on intra-urban inequalities (30 participants); regional workshop on financing for development issues in Asia and the Pacific (30 participants);

(iii) Field projects: community development; housing the urban poor; identification of "pulling factors" for enhancing the sustainable development of diverse agriculture in selected Asian countries; improving access of the rural poor to renewable energy through secondary crops biomass production; increasing poor and marginal farmers' welfare through access to value added utilization of secondary crops; information services on development of secondary crops for poverty reduction (including publications, database development, library operations, maintenance and development of the Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Secondary Crops Development in Asia and the Pacific website and networking); poverty and environment; poverty reduction and human security; private sector involvement in poverty reduction; rural poverty reduction through rural-urban linkages; supporting the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific.

Table 18.11 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 1**

	Resources (thousands of US dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	5 380.5	5 598.9	36	37
Non-post	397.4	393.0	—	—
Subtotal	**5 777.9**	**5 991.9**	**36**	**37**
Extrabudgetary	3 014.5	2 540.0	20	16
Total	**8 792.4**	**8 531.9**	**56**	**53**

18.35 The amount of $5,991,900, reflecting an increase of $214,000, comprises: (a) $5,598,900 for the funding of 37 posts (21 Professional and 16 General Service), reflecting an increase of $218,400 resulting from the proposed establishment of one P-5 post to strengthen the work of the subprogramme on poverty reduction through secondary crops development and the delayed impact of a P-2 post established in the biennium 2004-2005; and (b) $393,000 for non-post requirements, reflecting a net decrease of $4,400 due to decreased requirements for travel of staff, partly offset by increased costs for printing the publications of the subprogramme. Non-post resources provide for: (a) consultants ($96,800) to provide specialized expertise not available in the secretariat for

the preparation of studies and country papers; (b) five expert group meetings ($127,900) on rural poverty reduction, on development issues and policies and on economic and social performance and issues; (c) travel of staff ($71,200) to attend meetings and to undertake country assessment studies; and (d) external printing ($97,100).

18.36 Extrabudgetary resources of $2,540,000 provide for 16 posts (6 Professional and 10 General Service), as well as resources for technical cooperation activities designed to strengthen member States' capacity in the development and implementation of policies and programmes consistent with the development goals contained in the Millennium Declaration and the outcomes of United Nations summits and conferences, including the Monterrey Consensus.

Subprogramme 2
Statistics

Resource requirements (before recosting): $2,917,300

18.37 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the Statistics Division. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing upon subprogramme 2 of programme 15 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007. The subprogramme is supported by the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific.

Table 18.12 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To improve the capacity of national statistical systems for monitoring progress towards achieving internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration and in the outcomes of major United Nations conferences and international agreements since 1992, at the request of members and associate members.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Increased national capacity in Asia and the Pacific, and particularly the least developed countries, to provide data required for measuring progress towards achieving internationally agreed development goals	(a) Increased number of national statistical offices that are able to provide data for measuring progress towards achieving internationally agreed development goals *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 9 countries Estimate 2004-2005: 29 countries Target 2006-2007: 40 countries

(b) Increased access for all stakeholders in society to statistical data in Asia and the Pacific that accord with internationally recognized statistical standards and reflect gender concerns, especially data required for measuring progress towards achieving internationally agreed development goals	(b) Increased number of freely accessible publications and websites containing statistical data on the ESCAP membership that conform to internationally recognized statistical standards and principles, reflect gender concerns and indicate progress towards achieving internationally agreed development goals *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 9 websites Target 2006-2007: 14 websites

External factors

18.38 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) member States have the resources to implement recommendations; (b) member States accord priority to compiling data for monitoring the Millennium Development Goals; and (c) there are no significant shortfalls in funding.

Outputs

18.39 During the biennium, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: parliamentary documentation: reports on activities of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (2); reports on issues related to statistics (2);

(ii) Committee on Poverty Reduction: parliamentary documentation: report on issues related to poverty statistics (1);

(iii) Subcommittee on Statistics:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Subcommittee on Statistics (1); reports on issues related to statistics (1);

(iv) Ad hoc expert groups: two expert group meetings on population census-related issues and data for the Millennium Development Goals (1); and knowledge management (1);

(v) Assistance to representatives, rapporteurs: Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific Governing Council (2);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Asia-Pacific in Figures* (2); *Statistical Newsletter* (8); *Statistical Yearbook for Asia and the Pacific* (2);

(ii) Exhibits, guided tours, lectures: exhibit for the Subcommittee on Statistics;

(iii) Booklets, fact sheets, wall charts, information kits: fact sheets and/or information kits on general/thematic statistics, including statistical indicators on the Millennium Development Goals;

(iv) Technical material: Statistical Indicators for Asia and the Pacific (web database; quarterly updating); statistical information; training materials on various aspects of official statistics, including the generation of indicators on Millennium Development Goals;

(v) Audio-visual resources: ESCAP web page on statistics (http://www.unescap.org/stat) (weekly updating);

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Training courses, seminars and workshops: regional management seminar for the heads of national statistical offices (50 participants); regional workshop on coordination of statistical training activities (10 participants); regional/subregional seminars/workshops on economic and environmental statistics, including national accounts, the informal sector and environmental accounting, with special reference to Millennium Development Goals 7 and 8 (50 participants); regional/subregional seminars/workshops on information technology application, information and communication technology and the knowledge-based economy, measurement of information technology-related activities, and compiling statistics on the information society (50 participants); regional/subregional training courses on the collection, compilation, processing, analysis and dissemination of broad-based official statistics, including statistics required for generating indicators on Millennium Development Goals (120 participants); regional/subregional workshops on poverty statistics, and statistics on gender issues and other aspects of social and demographic statistics, including the follow-up to global conferences, with special reference to Millennium Development Goals 1 and 3 (50 participants); regional/subregional/national seminars/workshops/training courses on various country-identified aspects of official statistics, including statistics required for generating indicators on the Millennium Development Goals (450 participants);

(ii) Field projects: comparative analysis of living and working conditions of people in informal employment in South and South-East Asia (preparatory work and servicing); information and communication technology development and monitoring in Asia and the Pacific: integrated approaches towards the implementation of the goals of the World Summit on the Information Society.

Table 18.13 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 2**

	Resources (thousands of US dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	2 714.6	2 789.2	21	21
Non-post	128.1	128.1	—	—
Subtotal	**2 842.7**	**2 917.3**	**21**	**21**
Extrabudgetary	4 781.5	4 730.4	12	10
Total	**7 624.2**	**7 647.7**	**33**	**31**

18.40 The amount of $2,917,300 comprises: (a) $2,789,200 for the funding of 21 posts (10 Professional and 11 General Service), reflecting an increase of $74,600 due to the delayed impact of a P-2 post established in the biennium 2004-2005; and (b) $128,100, at the maintenance level, for non-post requirements, including: (i) consultants ($17,800) to provide specialized expertise not available in the secretariat on methodologies and preparation of studies; (ii) expert group meetings ($36,200) on population census and on knowledge management; (iii) travel of staff ($52,200) to attend meetings and conferences on statistics; and (iv) external printing ($21,900) of publications.

18.41 The extrabudgetary resources of $4,730,400 provide for 10 posts (6 Professional and 4 General Service), as well as resources for technical cooperation activities to enhance the statistical capacity in the region, particularly through training statisticians on the application of statistical standards and methodology.

Subprogramme 3
Development of Pacific island countries and territories

Resource requirements (before recosting): $1,277,700

18.42 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing upon subprogramme 3 of programme 15 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007.

Table 18.14 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To build policy and management capacity in Pacific island developing countries and territories.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Increased capacity of national Governments in Pacific island developing countries and territories to monitor and achieve progress in achieving internationally agreed development goals	(a) Increased number of effective measures taken by Pacific island developing countries and territories to monitor and achieve relevant elements of the internationally agreed development goals *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 3 ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre recommended and/or assisted measures adopted Target 2006-2007: 5 ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre recommended and/or assisted measures adopted

(b) Increased capacity of Governments, civil society and the private sector in Pacific island developing countries and territories to formulate and implement effective gender-responsive poverty reduction programmes that focus on promoting sustainable access to services for socially vulnerable groups	(b) Increased number of gender-responsive poverty reduction programmes formulated and implemented in Pacific island developing countries and territories *Performance measures:* 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 3 programmes based on ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre recommendations and/or assisted by the Centre Target 2006-2007: 7 programmes based on ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre recommendations and/or assisted by the Centre

External factors

18.43 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) national institutions and local authorities are willing to collaborate and provide relevant information; and (b) there are no significant shortfalls in funding.

Outputs

18.44 During the biennium, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: parliamentary documentation: report on issues related to Pacific island developing countries (2);

(ii) Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (4);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries (1); reports on issues related to Pacific island developing countries (1);

(iii) Assistance to representatives, rapporteurs: Advisory Council for the Pacific Island Developing Countries (2);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Non-recurrent publications: *Strategies to Create Income and Employment Opportunities for Vulnerable Groups in Pacific Island Developing Countries and Territories* (1);

(ii) Booklets, fact sheets, wall charts, information kits: information kit on the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States;

(iii) Technical material: ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre public information material;

(iv) Audio-visual resources: web page on ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre (http://www.unescap.org/epoc/index.asp) (2);

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Training courses, seminars and workshops: regional workshop to review progress on implementation of the Pacific Urban Agenda; subregional workshop on the implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States in least developed countries in the Pacific region; subregional workshop on building national policymaking and management capacity with respect to the Millennium Development Goals, the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 and the Barbados Programme of Action; subregional workshop to develop national programmes on issues related to generation of income and employment opportunities for vulnerable groups;

(ii) Field projects: Pacific urban management and poverty alleviation project on better urban policy and planning frameworks based on the Pacific Urban Agenda to facilitate the exchange of national policy and planning expertise in the region to supplement and strengthen national capacity in policymaking and management of the Millennium Development Goals, the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 and the Barbados Programme of Action.

Table 18.15 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 3**

	Resources (thousands of US dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	837.3	1 029.3	5	7
Non-post	237.9	248.4	—	—
Subtotal	**1 075.2**	**1 277.7**	**5**	**7**
Extrabudgetary	216.2	400.0	1	—
Total	**1 291.4**	**1 677.7**	**6**	**7**

18.45 The amount of $1,277,700, an increase of $202,500, comprises: (a) $1,029,300 for the funding of seven posts (4 Professional and 3 General Service), reflecting an increase of $192,000 due to the establishment of one P-4 post and the inward redeployment of one Local level post from programme support to strengthen the work of the Centre in pursuance of the mandates emanating from ESCAP resolutions 60/6 on the revitalization of the United Nations ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre and 60/7 on the Pacific Urban Agenda; and (b) $248,400 for non-post requirements, reflecting an increase of $10,500 due to the increased level of activities pursuant to resolutions 60/6 and 60/7. Non-post resources provide for: (a) consultants with specialized expertise not available in the secretariat to assist in the further development of the ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre website ($2,000); (b) travel of staff ($39,300) to attend meetings and to undertake consultations and joint programming activities; (c) contractual services ($12,800), such as external production of publications and software support and maintenance services for the Centre's information technology infrastructure; (d) general operating expenses ($149,000), including rental and maintenance of premises, utilities, maintenance of data-processing equipment,

communication costs and miscellaneous expenses; (e) supplies and materials ($11,800); and (f) furniture and equipment ($33,500).

18.46 The extrabudgetary resources of $400,000 provide for technical cooperation activities designed to increase awareness and strengthen the capacity of Pacific island developing countries to monitor and achieve progress in achieving the development goals contained in the Millennium Declaration, to support the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States in the Pacific region and to develop integrated urban and provincial plans based on the Pacific Urban Agenda.

Subprogramme 4
Trade and investment

Resource requirements (before recosting): $4,358,100

18.47 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the Trade and Investment Division. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing upon subprogramme 4 of programme 15 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007. The subprogramme is supported by the Asian and Pacific Centre for Agricultural Engineering and Machinery.

Table 18.16 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To benefit more fully from the globalization process through increased global and regional trade and investment flows.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Increased national capacity to negotiate, conclude and implement multilateral and regional trade and investment agreements designed to promote inter- and intra-subregional trade and investment flows	(a) (i) Increased number of ESCAP member countries making progress towards becoming members of regional and multilateral trade and investment agreements and mechanisms (e.g., the Bangkok Agreement and the World Trade Organization) *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 3 member countries Estimate 2004-2005: 3 member countries Target 2006-2007: 8 member countries (ii) Percentage of officials who indicate that they are better able to negotiate, conclude and implement trade and investment agreements *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available

	Estimate 2004-2005: 65 per cent Target 2006-2007: 70 per cent
(b) Increased national capacity to develop and implement trade and investment policies and programmes designed to enhance supply-side capacity and international competitiveness of exports	(b) Increased number of measures/mechanisms established for the development of policies and programmes in trade and investment *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 10 measures Target 2006-2007: 11 measures

External factors

18.48 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) the global and regional environments remain conducive to a continued expansion of trade and investment flows; (b) national institutions will have the capacity and resources to ensure successful cooperation; and (c) there are no significant shortfalls in funding.

Outputs

18.49 During the biennium, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: parliamentary documentation: reports on issues related to trade and investment (2); reports of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Agricultural Engineering and Machinery (2);

(ii) Committee on Managing Globalization: parliamentary documentation: report on issues related to trade and investment (1);

(iii) Subcommittee on International Trade and Investment:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Subcommittee on International Trade and Investment (1); reports on issues related to trade, investment and enterprise development (1);

(iv) Ad hoc expert groups: two expert group meetings on: achieving policy coherence in trade, investment and finance linkages (1); towards an enhanced global partnership for development: the role of regional cooperation in trade and investment (1);

(v) Provision of assistance to representatives and rapporteurs: Asian and Pacific Centre for Agricultural Engineering and Machinery Governing Council (2); Bangkok Agreement Standing Committee (2); Ministerial Council of the Bangkok Agreement (1); ESCAP Business Advisory Council (2);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Review* (4);

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: *Good Practices in Electronic Information and Commerce* (1); monograph series on trade and investment: *Enabling Policy and Regulatory Frameworks for Business Development* (2), *Enhancing Trade Efficiency* (1), *Regional Perspectives on the Doha Development Agenda* (1), *Regional Cooperation in Trade and Investment and Its Role for an Enhanced Global Partnership for Development* (1);

(iii) Booklets, fact sheets, wallcharts, information kits: information materials on managing globalization: brochures on trade and investment issues; trade and investment in the ESCAP region — fact sheets and policy briefs;

(iv) Technical material: establishment of Internet linkage between member countries and ESCAP; Internet database on agricultural technology and machinery for poverty alleviation in support of Millennium Development Goal 1; information updating through an e-newsletter (http://www.apcaem.org); Internet database on managing globalization: updates on the trade information service gateway (http://www.unescap.org/tid/tisgway.asp), trade and investment web page (http://www.unescap.org/tid) and provision of technical information; traders' manual for landlocked countries in Asia and the Pacific (electronic version); web-based resource corner on training material related to the World Trade Organization (WTO) and creation of open network for trainers on WTO issues;

(v) Audio-visual resources: E-TISNET monthly newsletters (news and information sources); ESCAP web page on trade and investment (http://www.unescap.org/tid);

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services: briefing and training of national Governments on WTO issues; briefing and training on trade facilitation measures;

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: high-level regional policy dialogues on the development dimension of trade negotiations in the context of achieving the Millennium Development Goals (50 participants); improvement of the business climate through public-private sector dialogues: yearly Asia-Pacific Business Forum (150 participants); WTO/ESCAP technical assistance programme on multilateral trade negotiations and agreements (300 participants);

(iii) Field projects: technical cooperation projects on: building capacity on the emerging World Trade Organization Agenda; capacity-building in agro-based technologies for rural income generation in support of Millennium Development Goal 1; capacity-building of small and medium-sized enterprise development institutions; e-commerce development; ESCAP/European Commission project on enhancing the capacity of members, especially least developed countries and landlocked developing countries, to accede to WTO and to implement accession commitments; enabling policy and regulatory frameworks for the development of small and medium-sized enterprises; good policies and practices in investment promotion and facilitation for least developed countries and countries with economies in transition; improving trade efficiency in the Asian and Pacific region; institutional capacity-building for facilitation of international trade and transport; support for regional achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in strengthening the global partnership for trade; support for regional knowledge networking through the Asia-Pacific Research and Training Network on Trade (ARTNET).

Table 18.17 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 4**

Category	*Resources (thousands of United States dollars)*		*Posts*	
	2004-2005	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	4 055.8	4 199.6	26	27
Non-post	153.3	158.5	—	—
Subtotal	**4 209.1**	**4 358.1**	**26**	**27**
Extrabudgetary	1 940.1	2 600.0	15	10
Total	**6 149.2**	**6 958.1**	**41**	**37**

18.50 The amount of $4,358,100, reflecting an increase of $149,000, comprises: (a) $4,199,600 for the funding of 27 posts (16 Professional and 11 General Service), reflecting an increase of $143,800 resulting from the proposed establishment of one P-5 post to strengthen the work of the subprogramme on agricultural engineering and machinery development in Asia and the Pacific in response to the request of the Commission to realign this area of work with the thematic priorities of ESCAP; and (b) $158,500 under non-post requirements to provide for: (i) consultants ($42,200) with specialized expertise not available in the Secretariat for the preparation of studies and background papers; (ii) expert group meetings ($24,600); (iii) travel of staff ($71,100) to attend and service meetings and to undertake consultations with Government authorities; and (iv) contractual services ($20,600) for the external production of publications. The increase of $5,200 in non-post resources is the net result of increased requirements for the new format and increased quality of the publications of the subprogramme, including *Trade and Investment Review*, and increased requirements for travel of staff related to trade and investment opportunities, partly offset by reduced requirements related to the reduction in the number of expert groups from three to two.

18.51 The extrabudgetary resources of $2.6 million provide for 10 posts (4 Professional and 6 General Service) and resources for technical cooperation activities aimed at increasing the number of member countries making progress to accede to the World Trade Organization and strengthening the capacity of member States in such areas as trade negotiations, trade and investment agreements and mechanisms, promotion of good practices and agricultural engineering and machinery development.

Subprogramme 5
Transport and tourism

Resource requirements (before recosting): $4,709,100

18.52 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the Transport and Tourism Division. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing upon subprogramme 5 of programme 15 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007.

Table 18.18 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To improve the movement of goods and people and to strengthen the role of tourism in economic and social development.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Strengthened national capacity to formulate policies on and implement initiatives for improving the efficiency of logistics and enhancing participation in regional and subregional agreements relating to transport and tourism infrastructure and facilitation	(a) (i) Increased number of national policy decisions and position papers that reflect ESCAP-promoted programmes *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 2 countries taking action towards the adoption of programmes Estimate 2004-2005: 8 countries taking action towards the adoption of programmes Target 2006-2007: 10 countries taking action towards the adoption of programmes (ii) Increased number of countries and organizations using ESCAP methodology to measure reductions in the time and cost of transport, in particular to landlocked countries and through transit countries *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 4 countries and organizations Estimate 2004-2005: 8 countries and organizations Target 2006-2007: 10 countries and organizations (iii) Increased number of countries participating in regional and subregional agreements

	Performance measures: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 8 countries taking action towards the adoption of regional and subregional agreements Target 2006-2007: 10 countries taking action towards the adoption of regional and subregional agreements
(b) Increased national capacity to develop and implement policies and programmes to promote transport and tourism as an entry point for poverty reduction	(b) Increased number of national officials taking measures to develop and implement policy papers and programmes in the transport and tourism sectors that reflect ESCAP-promoted programmes and initiatives to reduce poverty *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 3 countries taking action towards the adoption of poverty-reduction policy Target 2006-2007: 8 countries taking action towards the adoption of poverty-reduction policy

External factors

18.53 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) the members and associate members take into account ESCAP-promoted principles and programmes; and (b) there are no significant shortfalls in funding.

Outputs

18.54 During the biennium, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: parliamentary documentation: reports on the implementation of resolutions and major decisions relating to transport and tourism, including decisions taken by the Ministerial Conference on Transport (2);

(ii) Ministerial Conference on Transport:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (10);

b. Parliamentary documentation: reports on issues related to transport and tourism (1); report of the Ministerial Conference (1);

(iii) Committee on Managing Globalization:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Committee (1); report on major issues relating to transport and tourism (1);

(iv) Ad hoc expert groups: two expert group meetings on developing policies and programmes for poverty reduction through tourism (Millennium Development Goal 1) (1) and on regional sharing of road safety resources (1);

(v) Assistance to representatives, rapporteurs: United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia project working group on transport infrastructure and border-crossing facilitation (2); working group of the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Asian Highway Network (1); working group of the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network (1);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Review of Developments in Transport in Asia and the Pacific* (1); *Tourism Review* (1); *Transport and Communications Bulletin for Asia and the Pacific* (2);

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: monograph series on managing globalization: *Towards a Harmonized Legal Regime on Transport Facilitation in the ESCAP Region* (1);

(iii) Technical material: manual and software for transport policy and planning; maps on the Asian Highway and Trans-Asian Railway; statistical abstract of transport in the Asia-Pacific region; training material on implementation of subregional agreements and international conventions (Millennium Development Goal 8); training material on logistics; updating of the Asia-Pacific Road Accident Database; updating of the Geographic Information System database on transport and tourism and the Asian Highway database;

(iv) Audio-visual resources: ESCAP web page on transport and tourism (http://www.unescap.org/ttdw/index.asp) (biannual updating);

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services: advisory services on transport policy, infrastructure, planning and facilitation;

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: meetings to promote regional cooperation in tourism (80 participants); negotiation meetings on protocols to subregional transport agreements (50 participants); seminars on strengthening national capabilities in the sound and sustainable development of tourism (100 participants); transport policy, infrastructure, planning and facilitation (180 participants); workshops and training of trainers on the implementation of international conventions (80 participants); workshops on transport planning tools (100 participants);

(iii) Field projects: economic and social impact of transport, including HIV/AIDS and achievement of Millennium Development Goals 1, 3 and 6; financing of transport infrastructure development, including public-private partnerships; freight forwarding, multimodal transport and logistics; improving global road safety; intermodal transport: investment requirements; land transport infrastructure development, including the Asian Highway and the Trans-Asian Railway; maintenance and asset management in the transport sector towards achievement of Millennium Development Goal 8; providing basic services to the poor through public-private partnerships: enhancing the role of

transport and tourism in poverty reduction (Millennium Development Goal 1); transit transport for landlocked and transit developing countries.

Table 18.19 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 5**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	4 378.4	4 535.8	27	28
Non-post	161.8	173.3	—	—
Subtotal	**4 540.2**	**4 709.1**	**27**	**28**
Extrabudgetary	1 007.0	1 200.0	6	2
Total	**5 547.2**	**6 192.5**	**33**	**30**

18.55 The amount of $4,709,100, an increase of $168,900, comprises: (a) $4,535,800 for the funding of 28 posts (17 Professional and 11 General Service), reflecting an increase of $157,400 owing to the inward redeployment of one P-2 post following the transfer of activities for the theme of managing globalization from subprogramme 6 to subprogramme 5; and (b) $173,300 under non-post resources to provide for: (i) consultants ($22,900) with specialized expertise not available in the secretariat to provide input to the *Review of Developments in Transport in Asia and the Pacific*; (ii) expert group meetings ($32,100); (iii) travel of staff ($108,100) to attend meetings, to undertake consultations with Governments and organizations and to provide advisory services; and (iv) external printing ($10,200). The increase of $11,500 in non-post resources is due to the inclusion of planned advisory missions on United Nations transport facilitation conventions.

18.56 Extrabudgetary resources of $1.2 million provide for two Professional posts as well as resources for the dissemination of data and information and for strengthening of institutional capacity at the national level in the field of transport and tourism through studies, group training and advisory services.

Subprogramme 6
Environment and sustainable development

Resource requirements (before recosting): $4,806,700

18.57 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the Environment and Sustainable Development Division. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing upon subprogramme 6 of programme 15 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007.

Table 18.20 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To facilitate the integration of the three dimensions of sustainable development, namely, economic development, social development and environmental protection.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Increased national capacity to develop and implement effective, gender-responsive policies and programmes in partnerships with civil society and the private sector for enhancing environmental protection, energy resources management and water resources management	(a) Increased number of measures taken to promote sustainable, gender-responsive national policies and programmes in environmental protection, energy resources management and water resources management *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 7 policy measures Target 2006-2007: 10 policy measures
(b) Increased national capacity for transboundary cooperation and for monitoring progress at the national level in achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration and in the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and international agreements since 1992	(b) (i) Increased number of measures taken to strengthen transboundary collaboration on sustainable development *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 5 policy measures Target 2006-2007: 5 policy measures (ii) Increased number of measures taken at the national level to improve sustainable development monitoring mechanisms *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: to be determined Target 2006-2007: 10 policy measures

External factors

18.58 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) national institutions are willing to provide relevant information and have the capacity to be involved substantially; and (b) there are no significant shortfalls in funding.

Outputs

18.59 During the biennium, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: parliamentary documentation: reports on issues related to the environment and sustainable development (2);

(ii) Committee on Managing Globalization: parliamentary documentation: report on issues related to the environment and sustainable development (1);

(iii) Subcommittee on Environment and Sustainable Development:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Subcommittee on Environment and Sustainable Development (1); report on issues related to the environment and sustainable development (1);

(iv) Ad hoc expert groups: three expert group meetings on: "greening" of economic growth: changing unsustainable patterns of consumption and production (1); integration of water-related disaster preparedness and mitigation measures into socio-economic and integrated water resources management plans (1); sustainable development indicators of the power sector (1);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Electricity and Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific*, 2006 (1); energy resources development series: *Energy and Climate Change in Asia and the Pacific: Lessons Learned and Policy Implications* (1); *Environment and Sustainable Development Newsletter* (8); greening of economic growth series: *Changing Unsustainable Patterns of Consumption and Production* (1); water resources series: *Guidelines on Integration of Water-related Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation Measures into Socio-economic and Integrated Water Resources Management Plans* (1); and *Guidelines on Water Management, Water Quality and Poverty Reduction in a Follow-up to the World Summit on Sustainable Development* (1);

(ii) Exhibits, guided tours, lectures: exhibits for International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction; exhibits for World Water Day;

(iii) Audio-visual resources: ESCAP web page on environment and sustainable development (http://www.unescap.org/esd) (quarterly updating);

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services: advisory services on sustainable development and management of energy resources related to policies and planning, demand side management, energy efficiency and renewable energy development;

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: group training on integrated water resources management, including water efficiency, demand side management, water quality and water-related disaster management (160 participants); regional and national workshops on integration of environment and development (40 participants), sustainability of energy policies, efficiency, renewable energy development, climate change/clean development mechanism (160 participants); subregional meetings on: the North East Asian Subregional Programme for Environmental Cooperation (40 participants), cooperation for integrated water resources management (40 participants), energy cooperation for sustainable development (40 participants); workshops on improving

environmental performance through the implementation of multilateral environmental agreements related to sustainable development (40 participants);

(iii) Fellowships and grants: South-South cooperation to facilitate exchange of information and experience on sustainable development policies and transfer of technologies in the area of renewable and clean energy technologies and water resources management (8 fellows);

(iv) Field projects: technical cooperation projects on: follow-up to the World Summit on Sustainable Development (water, energy and environment): provision of basic services to the poor through public-private partnerships; the "greening" of economic growth in Asia and the Pacific; the Kitakyushu Initiative for a Clean Environment (phase II): promotion of national implementation and regional networking; promotion of sustainable production and consumption through the strengthening of cultural values, traditional lifestyles and technology dissemination; subregional environmental cooperation in the Asian and Pacific region for promoting environmental sustainability; establishment of multi-hazard early warning systems for tsunamis and other natural disasters in the region.

Table 18.21 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 6**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	4 714.7	4 631.9	31	30
Non-post	191.2	174.8	—	—
Subtotal	**4 905.9**	**4 806.7**	**31**	**30**
Extrabudgetary	3 385.0	6 153.4	5	1
Total	**8 290.9**	**10 960.1**	**36**	**31**

18.60 The amount of $4,806,700, a reduction of $99,200, comprises: (a) $4,631,900 for the funding of 30 posts (17 Professional and 13 General Service), reflecting a decrease of $82,800 due to the delayed impact of a P-2 post established in the biennium 2004-2005 offset by the outward redeployment of one P-2 post to subprogramme 5; and (b) $174,800 under non-post requirements to provide for: (i) consultants ($24,700) with specialized expertise not available in the secretariat for the preparation of studies; (ii) three expert group meetings ($51,900); (iv) travel of staff ($81,100) to attend meetings, to consult with Governments and to provide advisory services; and (v) contractual services ($17,100) for external printing. The decrease of $16,400 in non-post requirements is due to reduced requirements for travel of staff and a reduction in the number of publications, partly offset by increased requirements for one additional ad hoc expert group meeting on the "greening" of economic growth.

18.61 The extrabudgetary resources of $6,153,400 provide for one Professional post and resources for technical cooperation activities, such as group training and advisory services, aimed at enhancing the awareness of Member States of their common interests and concerns and increasing their capacity to formulate and implement effective, gender-responsive policies towards the achievement of internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration and the outcomes of major United Nations conferences and summits,

including the World Summit on Sustainable Development. The anticipated increase of $2,768,400 is related to multi-year projects for the establishment of multi-hazard early warning systems for tsunamis and other natural disasters in the region.

Subprogramme 7
Information, communication and space technology

Resource requirement (before recosting): $3,675,900

18.62 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the Information, Communication and Space Technology Division. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing upon subprogramme 7 of programme 15 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007. The subprogramme is supported by the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology.

Table 18.22 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To improve access to, and the development, transfer and application of, information, communication and space technology in order to maximize the benefits of globalization.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Increased national capacity to develop and implement policies and programmes, including regulatory and institutional frameworks, that facilitate equitable access to information, communication and space technology for development	(a) Increased number of measures taken to improve regulatory frameworks *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: 2 policies and laws Estimate 2004-2005: 5 policies and laws Target 2006-2007: 6 policies and laws
(b) Enhanced national capacity to apply information, communication and space technology in planning and implementing socio-economic development programmes, including for the promotion of gender equality	(b) Increased number of measures taken at the national level to apply information, communication and space technology in the development of national socio-economic development programmes *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 5 initiatives Target 2006-2007: 6 initiatives

External factors

18.63 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) the stakeholders fulfil their responsibilities and obligations; (b) national

institutions are willing to provide relevant information; and (c) there are no significant shortfalls in funding.

Outputs

18.64 During the biennium, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: parliamentary documentation: report on activities of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (2); report on issues related to information, communication and space technology and preparation for and follow-up of the next phase of the World Summit on the Information Society (2);

(ii) Ministerial Conference on Space Applications for Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (12);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Ministerial Conference (1); reports on status, strategies and action plan on space technology applications in Asia and the Pacific (1);

(iii) Committee Managing Globalization: parliamentary documentation: report related to cross-cutting issues on information, communication and space technology (1);

(iv) Subcommittee on Information, Communication and Space Technology:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Subcommittee on Information, Communication and Space Technology (1); reports on issues related to information, communication and space technology (1);

(v) Ad hoc expert groups: three expert group meetings on: follow-up of the World Summit on the Information Society (1); the role of public-private partnership for the promotion of access to information and communication technology (ICT) applications (1); the high-level expert group meeting in preparation for the third Ministerial Conference on Space Applications for Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific (1);

(vi) Assistance to representatives, rapporteurs: Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology Governing Board (2); Intergovernmental Consultative Committee on the Regional Space Applications Programme for Sustainable Development (2);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Asian-Pacific Journal on Information, Communication and Space Technology* (2); policy papers on ICT applications for the knowledge economy (4); *State of Information, Communication and Space Technology in the Asia-Pacific Region* (2); *Tech Monitor* (12); *Value Added Technology Information Service* (waste management, non-conventional energy, food processing, biotechnology, ozone layer protection) (12);

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: monograph series on managing globalization: *Regional ICT Complementarities and Cooperation for the Promotion of Millennium Development and World Summit on the Information Society Goals* (1);

(iii) Booklets, fact sheets, wall charts, information kits: guidebook on business start-up and operations in countries of the Asian and Pacific region; special booklets: national innovation systems, science and technology institutions and research and development institutions in the Asian and Pacific region; technology transfer guidelines;

(iv) Technical material: development papers on Internet governance and funding mechanisms for information and communication technology for development; guidelines on planning and implementing e-government; research and analytical studies on ICT policies to achieve the Millennium Development Goals; technical paper on best practices in ICT policy in the Asian and Pacific region (1); technical paper on compilation and development of ICT indicators and e-readiness assessments (1); technical paper on compilation of good practices in e-strategies and e-policies for achieving the Millennium Development Goals and the goals of the World Summit on the Information Society; technical paper on the compilation of an inventory of space technology application resources in the ESCAP region; technical paper on compliance with ICT-related multilateral frameworks and international management standards; training manual on policy, strategies and regulatory frameworks on ICT for poverty reduction;

(v) Audio-visual resources: business e-coach CD-ROM; web page on information, communication and space technology (http://www.unescap.org/icstd/); web page on the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (http://www.apctt.org); knowledge management networks by sector (http://unescap.org/icstd/APPLICATIONS);

(vi) Substantive servicing of inter-agency meetings: inter-agency working group on ICT (2);

(c) Technical cooperation (extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services on technology transfer for small- and medium-scale enterprises and national innovation systems;

(ii) Training courses, seminars and workshops: information, communication and space technology applications for poverty alleviation, globalization management, disaster management and the environment (20 participants); meetings of regional working groups on major space applications sectors (15 participants); national seminars/training workshops on ICT policy compliance with multilateral agreements and on monitoring Millennium Development Goals and World Summit on the Information Society goals (20 participants); regional seminars/training workshops on best practices in ICT policies and strategies for sustainable development, particularly poverty alleviation, environmental protection and entrepreneurship development (20 participants); regional seminars/workshops related to technology transfer (40 participants) (2 seminars in 2006, 2 seminars in 2007); regional workshop on ICT indicators in the context of the World Summit on the Information Society process (20 participants); regional workshop on development of knowledge management tools and knowledge networks (40 participants); regional/subregional/national workshop on selected ICT applications, including e-government, e-business and e-learning (40 participants); regional/subregional/national seminar/workshop on community e-centre (40 participants); subregional and regional workshops on the creation of an ICT enabling environment for poverty reduction (20 participants);

(iii) Fellowships and grants: long-term fellowships on space technology applications; medium-term fellowships on space technology applications;

(iv) Field projects: national seminars on national innovation systems; regional technical cooperation project on information, communication and space technology applications to bridge the digital divide in support of poverty alleviation.

Table 18.23 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 7**

	Resources (thousands of US dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	3 381.0	3 541.8	21	22
Non-post	133.2	134.1	—	—
Subtotal	**3 514.2**	**3 675.9**	**21**	**22**
Extrabudgetary	2 394.3	3 090.8	18	14
Total	**5 908.5**	**6 987.6**	**39**	**36**

18.65 The amount of $3,675,900, an increase of $161,700, comprises: (a) $3,541,800 for the funding of 22 posts (14 Professional and 8 General Service), reflecting an increase of $160,800 due to the proposed establishment of one P-5 post to strengthen the work of the subprogramme on the transfer of technology, including national innovation systems, in Asia and the Pacific in response to the request of the Commission to realign this area of work with the thematic priorities of ESCAP, and one P-2 post to strengthen the coordination of regional outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society and implementation of activities related to the Regional Plan of Action for an Information Society in Asia and the Pacific, offset by the abolition of one Local level post; and (b) $134,100 in non-post resources to provide for: (i) consultants ($19,600) with specialized expertise not available in the secretariat for the preparation of studies, background papers and materials; (ii) three expert group meetings ($56,300); (iii) travel of staff ($50,800) to meetings and to consult with Governments; and (iv) external printing ($7,400). The increase of $900 in non-post resources is the net effect of increased requirements for participation of Pacific member countries in the expert group meetings offset by reduced requirements for travel of staff and external printing.

18.66 The extrabudgetary resources of $3,090,800 provide for 14 posts (2 Professional and 12 General Service) and technical cooperation activities, including group training and advisory services, as well as research for and preparation of publications, to strengthen the capacity of member States to develop and implement policies and programmes that facilitate equitable access to information, communication and space technology and enhance the integration of such technology in the planning and implementation of socio-economic development programmes and plans.

Subprogramme 8
Social development, including persistent and emerging issues

Resource requirements (before recosting): $5,254,200

18.67 The subprogramme is under the responsibility of the Emerging Social Issues Division. The programme of work has been formulated by drawing upon subprogramme 8 of programme 15 of the biennial programme plan for the period 2006-2007.

Table 18.24 **Objectives for the biennium, expected accomplishments, indicators of achievement and performance measures**

Objective of the Organization: To improve access for socially vulnerable groups to basic services (including health care), income and productive assets, the physical environment and decision-making.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat	Indicators of achievement
(a) Increased national capacity to promote accessibility of services for socially vulnerable groups, taking due account of gender dimensions and the rights-based approach for persons with disabilities	(a) Increased number of measures taken by countries to formulate or strengthen policies promoting access to services *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: 9 activities or initiatives taken by countries Target 2006-2007: 20 activities or initiatives taken by countries
(b) Increased national capacity to monitor progress in achieving the internationally agreed development goals contained in the Millennium Declaration and the outcomes of major United Nations conferences pertaining to poverty reduction, gender equality, health and socially vulnerable groups	(b) Increased number of measures taken by countries to strengthen monitoring mechanisms aimed at measuring progress in achieving relevant elements of internationally agreed development goals *Performance measures*: 2002-2003: not available Estimate 2004-2005: to be determined Target 2006-2007: 20 activities/initiatives taken by countries

External factors

18.68 The subprogramme is expected to achieve its objectives and expected accomplishments on the assumption that: (a) stakeholders fulfil their responsibilities and obligations; and (b) national institutions are willing to provide relevant information.

Outputs

18.69 During the biennium, the following outputs will be delivered:

(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies (regular budget):

(i) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: parliamentary documentation: reports on issues related to persistent and emerging social issues (2);

(ii) Committee on Emerging Social Issues:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Committee on Emerging Social Issues (1); reports on emerging social issues (1);

(iii) Subcommittee on Socially Vulnerable Groups:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Subcommittee on Socially Vulnerable Groups (1); reports on issues related to socially vulnerable groups (1);

(iv) Subcommittee on Health and Development:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report of the Subcommittee on Health and Development (1); reports on issues related to health and development (1);

(v) High-level intergovernmental meeting for a mid-decade review and monitoring of regional implementation of the Biwako Millennium Framework for Action towards an Inclusive, Barrier-free and Rights-based Society for Persons with Disabilities in Asia and the Pacific:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: reports on national review, regional review and measurements for monitoring (1); report of the meeting (1);

(vi) High-level regional review meeting of the implementation of the Shanghai Implementation Strategy on Ageing:

a. Substantive servicing of meetings: plenary (6);

b. Parliamentary documentation: report on the Implementation of the Shanghai Implementation Strategy on Ageing (1);

(vii) Ad hoc expert groups: five expert group meetings on: addressing development determinants of health (1); enhancing the capacity of national machineries for gender equality to shape national development policies to be gender-responsive (1); promotion of the economic participation of persons with disabilities through enhanced capacity-building of self-help groups, social security and sustainable livelihoods (1); promotion and implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, with particular emphasis on revision and modification of existing laws (1); regional follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing (1);

(b) Other substantive activities (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Recurrent publications: *Asia-Pacific Population Journal* (4); *Population Headliners* (12);

(ii) Non-recurrent publications: *Building Community Capacity to Support Youth-Focused Drug Abuse Treatment and Continuing Care* (1); *Measuring the Implementation of the Biwako Millennium Framework at the Midpoint of the Asian and Pacific Decade of Disabled Persons (2003-2012)* (1); monograph series on gender and development in the ESCAP region (2);

(iii) Booklets, fact sheets, wall charts, information kits: booklets on promoting positive youth health behaviour; ESCAP population datasheets; information materials on development determinants of health; information materials on gender and development in Asia and the Pacific; information materials on health-related Millennium Development Goals; information materials on persistent and emerging social issues;

(iv) Special events: International Women's Day (2); promotional events on the social integration of vulnerable groups (disability, ageing, family, etc.) (2);

(v) Technical material: development of population databases;

(vi) Audio-visual resources: ESCAP web page on gender and development (http://www.unescap.org/esid/gad); ESCAP web page on health and development (http://www.unescap.org/esid/hds); ESCAP web page on population and social integration of vulnerable groups (http://www.unescap.org/esid/psis) (quarterly updating);

(vii) Substantive servicing of inter-agency meetings: thematic working group on disability-related concerns (4); thematic working group on international migration (4); thematic working group on women's empowerment and gender equality (6);

(c) Technical cooperation (regular budget and extrabudgetary):

(i) Advisory services on: implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and its regional and global outcomes in the Asian and Pacific region; implementation of the fifth Asian and Pacific Population Conference Plan of Action on Population and Poverty; tracking the progress of the implementation of the Shanghai Implementation Strategy for the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing and the Macao Plan of Action on Ageing for Asia and the Pacific; implementation of the Biwako Millennium Framework for Action towards an Inclusive, Barrier-free and Rights-based Society for Persons with Disabilities in Asia and the Pacific;

(ii) Field projects: technical cooperation projects on: building community capacity for health promotion; follow-up of the World Summit for Social Development, with particular emphasis on "participatory development", civil society, youth, family and other emerging social issues; implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and its regional and global outcomes in the ESCAP region; incorporating gender dimensions in the implementation of the outcomes of major regional and global conferences; multisectoral collaboration to tackle HIV/AIDS issues; population, development and poverty: follow-up to the fifth Asian and Pacific Population Conference; positive youth health behaviour development; regional implementation of the Biwako Millennium Framework for Action; the Shanghai Implementation Strategy for the Macao and Madrid plans of action on ageing; tackling health risks.

Table 18.25 **Resource requirements: subprogramme 8**

	Resources (thousands of US dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	4 990.2	5 064.8	32	32
Non-post	205.0	189.4	—	—
Subtotal	**5 195.2**	**5 254.2**	**32**	**32**
Extrabudgetary	2 563.1	2 885.0	10	5
Total	**7 758.3**	**8 139.2**	**42**	**37**

18.70 The amount of $5,254,200, an increase of $59,000, comprises: (a) $5,064,800 for the funding of 32 posts (19 Professional and 13 General Service), reflecting an increase of $74,600 due to the delayed impact of 1 P-2 post established in the biennium 2004-2005; and (b) $189,400 under non-post resources to provide for: (i) consultants ($40,600) with specialized expertise not available in the secretariat for the preparation of studies, background papers and materials; (ii) five expert group meetings ($67,400); (iii) travel of staff ($60,200) to attend meetings, to consult with Governments and to provide advisory services; and (iv) external printing ($21,200). The decrease of $15,600 in non-post resources is mainly a result of the reduced number of participants in expert group meetings.

18.71 The extrabudgetary resources of $2,885,000 provide for five posts (2 Professional and 3 General Service), as well as resources for technical cooperation activities such as regional workshops and training courses, preparation of publications and promotion of regional cooperation to strengthen national capacity to achieve internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration and the outcomes of major United Nations conferences and summits pertaining to poverty reduction, gender equality, health and socially vulnerable groups.

D. Programme support

Resource requirements (before recosting): $27,526,600

18.72 Programme support is under the responsibility of the Programme Management Division, the Administrative Services Division and the Library. The allocation of responsibilities among these three entities is as follows:

(a) The Programme Management Division provides policy guidelines and coordinates all aspects of programme planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation, and manages technical cooperation projects and funds. The Division accords priority to improving the relevance and impact of the Commission's work through more effective results-based programme and project planning as well as improved systems for monitoring and evaluation of parliamentary, normative and technical cooperation activities. It also provides secretarial assistance to the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission;

(b) The Administrative Services Division provides central common services in the areas of finance, human resources management, including training, travel and procurement, facility management, information and technology services and protocol. In addition, the Division

provides conference services, including language services, for the Commission and its subsidiary bodies, as well as managing the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok. The Division accords priority to improving the overall quality and efficiency of its services, implementing human resources management initiatives to create a more versatile and multi-skilled workforce and streamlining work procedures through process engineering and automation;

(c) The Library provides information services to the entire secretariat and to delegations, as well as outside users, including the collection of books, journals and materials related to the work of the substantive divisions; the collection of parliamentary documentation, meetings reports and documents; and electronic access to documents and publications through the Web.

Outputs

18.73 The outputs of the Programme Management Division include the following:

(a) Programme planning, budgeting and evaluation: provision of programme planning policy guidance, training and support to the substantive divisions in the formulation of their respective strategic frameworks and programme budgets; management of programme and budgetary delivery through the provision of training and support in monitoring and evaluating programme implementation; provision of guidance and support for programme performance reports; management of the regular programme of technical cooperation and projects funded by the Development Account; provision of guidance and support to the substantive divisions in budget-related matters and internal oversight of accounts; coordination with the other entities of the Executive Committee on Economic and Social Affairs for joint programming; servicing of the annual Commission sessions, including items related to programme planning and evaluation and draft resolutions; and servicing of regular meetings of the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission, which meets monthly;

(b) Management of technical cooperation projects and funds: provision of guidance and support to the substantive divisions in developing demand-driven technical cooperation projects that clearly feed into the achievement of one or more of the Commission's expected accomplishments for 2006-2007 in the context of the work programme, including facilitation of joint planning workshops for inter-thematic and interdivisional projects; project appraisal; monitoring and evaluation of technical cooperation projects; organization of consultations with donors and partners and analysis of donor trends for funding; coordination with partners of the United Nations Development Group and other relevant agencies for joint technical cooperation activities; servicing of the annual ESCAP sessions on technical cooperation issues, including pledging; dissemination of information on the Commission's technical cooperation work; further development and implementation of a fund-raising strategy to broaden the funding base for technical cooperation.

18.74 The outputs of the Administrative Services Division include the following:

(a) Administrative support services: provision of overall administration and management, including policy formulation, establishment of managerial and administrative guidelines and protocol services;

(b) Human resources management: provision of: services for the recruitment, promotion and placement of staff, medical services, staff development and training, assistance to staff on regulations and rules; engagement of consultants; administration of allowances and benefits; staff-management relations;

(c) Financial services: provision of financial management services, including the issuance of making payments, including the payroll, payments of vendors and staff entitlements; treasury services; monitoring and guidance on the correct utilization of financial resources; overall financial management and accounting services;

(d) Conference services: provision of editorial, interpretation, translation and text-processing services; internal document reproduction services; management of the United Nations Conference Centre;

(e) Central support services: cost-effective management of the facilities and services of the United Nations complex in Bangkok; facility maintenance; procurement and travel services; storage and inventory management; communication and information technology infrastructure, including the replacement and maintenance of software, hardware and telecommunications equipment; development and maintenance of local software applications; coordination with Headquarters on centrally developed applications; information infrastructure enhancements for local area network and switchboard systems; installation and maintenance of intrusion detection systems; and ongoing operational support, including support and maintenance of the Integrated Management Information System.

18.75 The outputs of the Library include library and information technology services, as well as advisory and training services, concerning the information system, which are provided in response to the work programme of the ESCAP secretariat, staff of United Nations agencies in Bangkok and the public and private sectors.

Table 18.26 **Resource requirements: programme support**

	Resources (thousands of United States dollars)		*Posts*	
Category	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007 (before recosting)*	*2004-2005*	*2006-2007*
Regular budget				
Post	22 518.1	21 446.6	218	201
Non-post	5 709.6	6 080.0	—	—
Subtotal	**28 227.7**	**27 526.6**	**218**	**201**
Extrabudgetary	2 076.5	2 469.7	16	21
Total	**30 304.2**	**29 996.3**	**234**	**222**

18.76 The amount of $27,526,600, a reduction of $701,100, comprises: (a) $21,446,600, reflecting a decrease of $1,071,500, for the funding of 218 posts (54 Professional and 147 General Service); and (b) $6,080,000, reflecting an increase of $370,400, for non-post costs, including: (i) other staff costs ($462,900) such as general temporary assistance, overtime and contractual services for repairs of personal computers, drivers, messengers, an electrician, audio-video technicians and printing press operators; (ii) consultants ($82,000) with specialized expertise not available in the secretariat for strengthening monitoring and evaluation systems and preparing informational materials on technical cooperation programmes; (iii) travel of staff ($132,200) for participation in meetings, consultations with Headquarters and programme and project monitoring and evaluation missions; (iv) contractual services ($333,000), such as training programmes, data-processing infrastructure services and external printing; (v) general operating expenses ($3,315,600), including the rental and maintenance of premises, utilities, the rental of equipment, the maintenance of data-processing equipment, furniture and equipment and other miscellaneous

services; (vi) hospitality ($3,300) for official functions; (vii) supplies and materials ($544,700); (viii) furniture and equipment ($1,202,100); and (ix) contribution to the inter-agency coordination unit under the auspices of the United Nations Development Programme ($4,200).

18.77 The decrease of $1,071,500 under posts is the net result of the following: (a) the inward redeployment of one P-4 post from executive direction and management for strengthening the overall programme management of the Commission; (b) the outward redeployment of three posts (1 P-3, 2 Local level) to executive direction and management for strengthening the work of the Least Developed Countries Coordination Unit and the capacity to service the legislative organs of the Commission; (c) the outward redeployment of one Local level post to subprogramme 3 in recognition of the servicing requirements of the office; and (d) the abolition of 14 Local level posts owing to improved cost-effectiveness through the utilization of contractual services, particularly in the areas of information technology and facility management, and increased productivity as a result of increased automation of processes and investment in information technology.

18.78 The increase of $370,400 under non-post costs is required mainly to ensure continuity of functions that can be more effectively performed through contractual services, in areas where Local level posts are abolished and to cover additional operating expenses and investment in information technology. The related increase is the net result of cost increases for the provision of contractual data-processing services, maintenance contracts for the building complex in Bangkok, maintenance contracts for data-processing equipment, the replacement of office automation equipment and increased costs for electricity and supplies, partly offset by reduced requirements for communications and the replacement and maintenance of office furniture and equipment.

18.79 The extrabudgetary resources of $2,469,700 provide for 21 posts (5 Professional and 16 General Service) and resources for services in support of technical cooperation activities in the area of management of technical cooperation, monitoring and evaluation, finance, human resources management, procurement, information technology and other miscellaneous services.

Table 18.27 **Summary of follow-up action taken to implement relevant recommendations of internal and external oversight bodies and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

Brief description of the recommendation	*Action taken to implement the recommendation*
Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/58/7)	
The Advisory Committee notes that the presentation of resource requirements for information and communication technology in this part of the proposed programme budget varies from section to section and even within some of the sections (para. V.2).	Resources required for information and communication technology are shown under programme support in the present section.
The Advisory Committee is of the view that the use of new technology to implement the work programme in the regional commissions should be pursued more vigorously (para. V.3)	ESCAP is using new technology to implement the work programme, both in terms of Intranet applications and database programmes for tracking project implementation.

The Advisory Committee reiterates its view that publications need to be linked directly to expected accomplishments in the manner stated in paragraph 72 of the first report of the Advisory Committee on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/56/7). The Committee also recommends that thought be given to devising other means of providing the information now being communicated through hard-copy publications, such as increasing use of the Internet and the United Nations-wide Intranet, as well as seminars and workshops (para. V.4).	For the biennium 2006-2007, all publications are clearly linked to specific subprogramme expected accomplishments, through intermediate results contributing to the relevant expected accomplishment. Additional means of information dissemination, most specifically the Internet and Intranet, have been employed for many traditionally hard-copy publications.
The Advisory Committee recalls its previous observations on interregional interaction and collaboration (see A/56/7, paras. V.28, V.31, V.49 and V.50) and requests that the regional commissions intensify their efforts, as well as coordination within the United Nations system. The Committee does not find the measures adopted so far to be adequate and believes that the regional commissions should intensify their efforts to collaborate and interact among themselves and with other regional entities in order to share experiences, lessons learned and workload (para. V.5).	The programme planning divisions of the regional commissions meet regularly with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Office of Internal Oversight Services and the Programme Planning and Budget Division to exchange information and viewpoints. A regional commission web board has been established to share experiences, lessons learned and good practices. Active planning sessions were held with other Executive Committee on Economic and Social Affairs entities during the development of the 2006-2007 work programme.
The Advisory Committee recalls that in paragraph 72 of General Assembly resolution 56/253, the Assembly noted with concern the high proportion of General Service posts compared to Professional posts in the regional commissions and requested the Secretary-General to report to it at its fifty-seventh session on efforts undertaken, as appropriate. The Committee notes the information contained in paragraph 66 of the Introduction to the proposed programme budget, and requests that information on such steps as may have been taken to address the request of the Assembly, including the elaboration of local prevailing conditions, be provided for each regional commission in the context of the next estimates (para. V.6).	ESCAP took a proactive approach in reducing the number of Local level staff through the abolition of 15 posts, 14 of which are under programme support, with the aim of improving cost-effectiveness through the utilization of contractual services, particularly in the areas of information technology and facility management, and increased productivity as a result of increased automation of processes and investment in information technology.

The Advisory Committee recalls its recommendations in paragraphs V.39 and V.40 of its previous report (A/56/7) on the need to refine some of the results-based-budgeting techniques for ESCAP. The Committee commends the Commission for attempting to draft the expected accomplishments and indicators of achievement more concisely and encourages further improvements in this area (para. V.41).	ESCAP has conducted a series of programme planning, monitoring and evaluation, and performance reporting training events for all subprogramme managers and staff. This has resulted in the more precise development of expected accomplishments and better preparation of programme performance reports in the form of accomplishment accounts.

Report of the Board of the Auditors
(A/59/5, vol. I, chap. II)

The Board reiterates its previous recommendation that the Administration take action to review those trust funds whose purposes have long been attained in order to identify and close those that are inactive and no longer required (para. 52).	ESCAP revised the existing internal procedures and instructions pertaining to technical cooperation trust funds. A new online resource guide has been published on the ESCAP Intranet. By increasing the awareness of its staff about the procedures in force, ESCAP aims to improve the timeliness of project closure and minimize the delay in reprogramming of funds.
The Board recommends that the Administration ensure that substantive offices submit progress reports for ongoing projects and terminal reports for completed projects in a timely manner (para. 56).	ESCAP issued a new online resource guide on its Intranet. Improved internal reviews and controls have been introduced to ensure timely preparation and higher quality of progress and terminal reports.
The Board recommends that the Administration continue to develop and conduct training programmes that would address issues involved in the implementation of results-based budgeting (para. 188).	ESCAP does and will continue to conduct training programmes to address issues involved in the implementation of results-based budgeting.
The Board recommends that the Administration continually assess and monitor strict adherence to the administrative instructions on hiring, remunerating and evaluating the performance of consultants (para. 256).	ESCAP is developing a standard format for terms of reference that includes targeted outputs, delivery dates, performance indicators and travel requirements. ESCAP ensures adherence to the guidelines on remuneration levels set by the Office of Human Resources Management and is working with programme managers to ensure that evaluations are conducted in a timely manner.

Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on its audit of the regional commissions
(A/58/785)

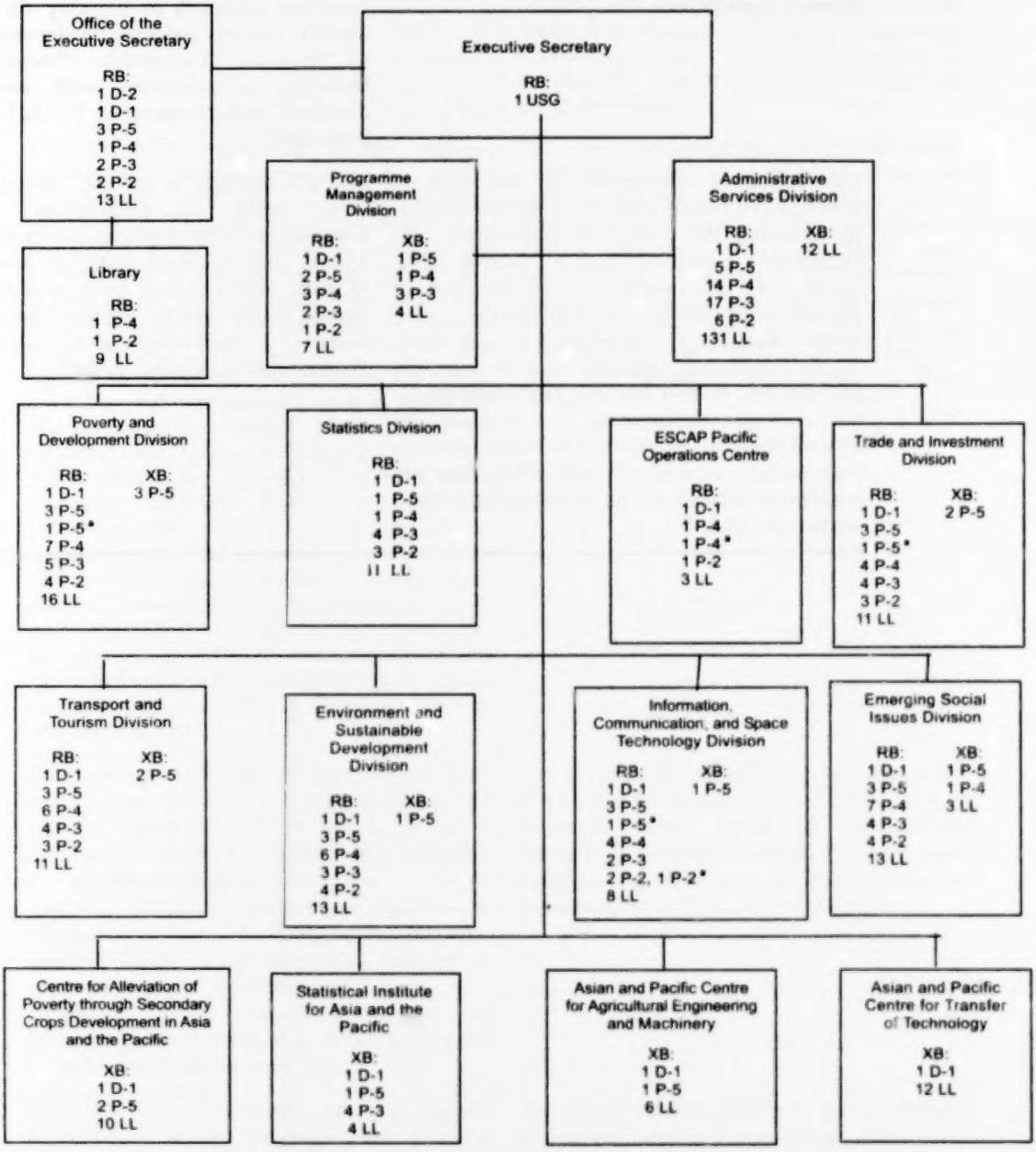
Rather than focus on small extrabudgetary projects, ESCAP should base its capacity to execute extrabudgetary projects on an analysis of the financial and managerial requirements needed to conduct its normative core activities (para. 36).	ESCAP has adopted a policy of focusing on larger scale multidisciplinary projects, using results-based planning as a means of creating greater impact in technical cooperation work.

ESCAP should develop benchmarks to determine levels of the Commission's in-kind contributions to extrabudgetary activities (para. 37).	The Commission's new results-based project framework ensures that all resources required for project implementation are identified. Incremental resources for extrabudgetary activities are appropriately recovered from the donor in accordance with financial regulation 3.11 to ensure that extrabudgetary projects do not involve additional financial liability for the Organization.
The Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions should undertake an overall reassessment of their intergovernmental machinery to streamline the processes and avoid duplication. Recommendations to revitalize and support those entities that could be useful and a change in the focus of others that have been inactive should be presented to the member States for their consideration. The Executive Secretaries should specifically review the overall coherence and effectiveness of their respective intergovernmental bodies, with particular emphasis on: (i) standardizing rules and procedures for the establishment of those bodies (including subsidiary bodies); (ii) regularly reviewing and monitoring participation by members of the regional commissions; (iii) clarifying mandates to avoid overlap among different bodies; (iv) revisiting mandates of non-functioning bodies; (v) aligning those bodies and the substantive divisions servicing them; and (vi) regularly reporting and following up on the recommendations made by intergovernmental bodies (para. 71).	The reassessment of the intergovernmental machinery in ESCAP took place during the midterm review of the functioning of the conference structure of the Commission, carried out in 2005. Feedback from questionnaires completed by government delegations attending intergovernmental conferences was used as a basis for the midterm review, as well as for determining the level and extent of participation in those events.
OIOS recommends that in the area of fund-raising, there should be a focal point within each regional commission to: (i) follow up on all fund-raising meetings, contacts and activities; (ii) coordinate, prepare and follow up on the pledging conference; (iii) maintain a database of all projects in need of fund-raising; (iv) prepare a quarterly report on the progress of fund-raising activities for the Executive Secretaries, with circulation to all divisional heads; and (v) exchange best practices and lessons learned in fund-raising efforts (para. 77).	The Programme Management Division is the focal point for fund-raising in ESCAP and is entrusted with conducting fund-raising meetings and contacts, maintaining a project database, and producing periodic reports for submission to the Executive Secretary.
The Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions should exchange best practices with respect to the recruitment of regional advisers, the development of work plans and the monitoring, reporting and evaluation of all	Best practices with respect to the recruitment of regional advisers has taken place, with ESCAP providing guidance to other regional commissions on overall regional adviser management, including experience derived

regional advisory activities, so that their respective regional advisory services can be better integrated into their substantive divisions' work programmes and thereby achieve maximum thematic impact (para. 79).	from the development of work plans, monitoring of ongoing services and the evaluation of overall effectiveness. Collaborative efforts were undertaken for a consistent approach to planning for overall advisory services under the regular programme of technical cooperation (Section 22), including harmonization with substantive divisions' work programmes, for the biennium 2006-2007.
The Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions should establish a mechanism for: (i) assessing the quality of publications; (ii) categorizing a publication as a "flagship"; (iii) harmonizing the timing of the issuance of flagship publications; (iv) implementing peer-review exercises; (v) assessing the composition of the readership; and (vi) exchanging best practices and lessons learned. That could enable the regional commissions to improve the dissemination of information to their respective regions, improve access to their publications and standardize policies for the downloading of their documents (para. 83).	ESCAP undertook a rigorous review of the value added by publications to the achievement of the expected accomplishments of each subprogramme under the programme of work. Measures have been implemented to ensure higher quality publications through peer-review mechanisms and more focused dissemination and launch policies.

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Organizational structure and post distribution for the biennium 2006-2007


Office of the Executive Secretary
RB:
1 D-2
1 D-1
3 P-5
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13 LL
Executive Secretary
RB:
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Library
RB:
1 P-4
1 P-2
9 LL
Programme Management Division
RB: 1 D-1, 2 P-5, 3 P-4, 2 P-3, 1 P-2, 7 LL
XB: 1 P-5, 1 P-4, 3 P-3, 4 LL
Administrative Services Division
RB: 1 D-1, 5 P-5, 14 P-4, 17 P-3, 6 P-2, 131 LL
XB: 12 LL
Poverty and Development Division
RB: 1 D-1, 3 P-5, 1 P-5*, 7 P-4, 5 P-3, 4 P-2, 16 LL
XB: 3 P-5
Statistics Division
RB: 1 D-1, 1 P-5, 1 P-4, 4 P-3, 3 P-2, 11 LL
ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre
RB: 1 D-1, 1 P-4, 1 P-4*, 1 P-2, 3 LL
Trade and Investment Division
RB: 1 D-1, 3 P-5, 1 P-5*, 4 P-4, 4 P-3, 3 P-2, 11 LL
XB: 2 P-5
Transport and Tourism Division
RB: 1 D-1, 3 P-5, 6 P-4, 4 P-3, 3 P-2, 11 LL
XB: 2 P-5
Environment and Sustainable Development Division
RB: 1 D-1, 3 P-5, 6 P-4, 3 P-3, 4 P-2, 13 LL
XB: 1 P-5
Information, Communication, and Space Technology Division
RB: 1 D-1, 3 P-5, 1 P-5*, 4 P-4, 2 P-3, 2 P-2, 1 P-2*, 8 LL
XB: 1 P-5
Emerging Social Issues Division
RB: 1 D-1, 3 P-5, 7 P-4, 4 P-3, 4 P-2, 13 LL
XB: 1 P-5, 1 P-4, 3 LL
Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Secondary Crops Development in Asia and the Pacific
XB: 1 D-1, 2 P-5, 10 LL
Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific
XB: 1 D-1, 1 P-5, 4 P-3, 4 LL
Asian and Pacific Centre for Agricultural Engineering and Machinery
XB: 1 D-1, 1 P-5, 6 LL
Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology
XB: 1 D-1, 12 LL

Abbreviations: RB, regular budget; XB, extrabudgetary; USG, Under-Secretary-General; LL, Local level.

[a] New posts.

Annex

Outputs produced in 2004-2005 not to be carried out in the biennium 2006-2007

A/58/6, paragraph	*Output*	*Quantity*	*Reason for discontinuation*
Executive direction and management			
19.28 (a) (i) a	Informal meeting on least developed and landlocked developing countries	1	Non-recurrent
19.28 (a) (ii) b	Report on issues related to least developed and landlocked developing countries	2	Non-recurrent
19.28 (a) (iii)	One expert group meeting on regional development policy	1	Non-recurrent
19.28 (b) (i)	*Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States*	1	Non-recurrent
19.28 (b) (ii)	Films, videotapes, radio broadcast and documentaries	36	Non-recurrent
19.28 (b) (vii)	Regional coordination meetings/heads of agencies meetings	8	Non-recurrent
Poverty and development			
19.32 (a) (i) a	Informal meeting on Pacific island developing countries	1	Replaced by the meetings of the Advisory Council for the Pacific Island Developing Countries
19.32 (a) (i) b	Reports on issues related to poverty reduction	2	Non-recurrent
19.32 (a) (iii) b	Report on the impact of emerging economic issues on poverty	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (a) (v)	Ad hoc expert group on review of decentralization policies and their impact on urban poverty	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (a) (vi)	Follow-up to the International Economic Conference on Tajikistan in the Regional Context of Central Asia	2	Non-recurrent

A/58/6, paragraph	Output	Quantity	Reason for discontinuation
19.32 (b) (i)	*Development Papers: priority policies to achieve the Millennium Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific*	1	Content of the publication will be subsumed under other existing publications under the subprogramme as part of efforts to streamline the number of publications
19.32 (b) (i)	*Development Papers: priority policies to implement the Monterrey Consensus in Asia and the Pacific*	1	Content of the publication will be subsumed under other existing publications under the subprogramme as part of efforts to streamline the number of publications
19.32 (b) (ii)	Monograph series on poverty reduction: *The Role of Secondary Towns and Their Rural-urban Linkages in Poverty Reduction*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.32 (b) (ii)	Monograph series on poverty reduction: *Good and Innovative Practices for Improving the Living Conditions of Slum Dwellers*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.32 (b) (ii)	*Manual on good practices for rural poverty reduction*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.32 (b) (ii)	Monograph series on poverty reduction: *Micro-macro Linkages Between Poverty Reduction and Sustainable Development*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.32 (b) (iv)	Working paper on micro-macro linkages for poverty reduction	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (i)	Advisory services on macroeconomic policy and related institution-building in island developing countries	2	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (i)	Advisory services on strengthening of local governments to implement poverty reduction strategies in line with the Millennium Development Goals and the Habitat Agenda	4	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (i)	Advisory services on good poverty reduction practices	4	Non-recurrent

A/58/6, paragraph	*Output*	*Quantity*	*Reason for discontinuation*
19.32 (c) (ii)	Regional workshop on micro-macro linkages: poverty reduction and sustainable development (30 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (ii)	Regional workshop on debt management and financial issues for development in Asia and the Pacific (30 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (ii)	Regional seminar on least developed countries' issues in financing for development, foreign direct investment and trade liberalization arising from the Monterrey Consensus and the Brussels Plan of Action (30 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (ii)	Workshop-cum-training programmes to disseminate poverty reduction practices in least developed countries (100 participants)	2	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (ii)	Workshop-cum-training programmes to promote access to markets, market information and credit for the rural poor through good practices with a gender focus (60 participants)	2	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (ii)	Regional conference on poverty, urbanization and economic development — Third Asia-Pacific Urban Forum (100 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (ii)	Regional workshop on the role of secondary towns and their rural-urban linkages in poverty reduction (45 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (ii)	Regional workshop on good practices relating to urban poor participation in environmental management at the local level (35 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (iii)	Technical cooperation project on the provision of basic services to the poor through public-private partnerships: ESCAP follow-up to the World Summit on Sustainable Development (capacity-building for a public-private partnership facilities component)	1	Non-recurrent

A/58/6, paragraph	*Output*	*Quantity*	*Reason for discontinuation*
19.32 (c) (iii)	Technical cooperation project on management of water resources for poverty reduction	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (iii)	Technical cooperation project on policy priorities to reduce poverty and promote growth in countries with economies in transition	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (iii)	Technical cooperation and substantive support in the area of poverty reduction to local governments and regional networks	4	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (iii)	Establishment and strengthening of regional resource centres to support urban poverty reduction programmes in areas such as slum improvement, women in local government and human security	1	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (iii)	Demonstration projects in least developed countries on rural-urban linkages for poverty reduction	4	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (iii)	Pilot projects on slum improvement	5	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (iii)	Pilot projects on participation of the urban poor in environmental management	3	Non-recurrent
19.32 (c) (iii)	Joint project with UN-Habitat on the implementation of the Habitat Agenda and the Millennium Development Goals	1	Non-recurrent
Statistics			
19.36 (a) (iii) b	Report of the working group of statistical experts	1	The task of the working group has been taken over by the Subcommittee on Statistics as mandated in resolution 58/1
19.36 (a) (iv)	Ad hoc expert group on statistical indicators on the Millennium Development Goals	1	Non-recurrent
19.36 (a) (iv)	Ad hoc expert group on data dissemination	1	Non-recurrent
19.36 (b) (ii)	*Improving the quality of the statistics used for selected Millennium Development Goal Indicators*	1	Non-recurrent publication

A/58/6, paragraph	*Output*	*Quantity*	*Reason for discontinuation*
19.36 (b) (ii)	*Towards International Comparability of Data*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.36 (b) (ii)	*Women and men in Asia and the Pacific* (Volume I. Statistical profile)	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.36 (c) (i)	Advisory services on statistics on gender issues, other aspects of socio-economic statistics and indicators and application of information technology	4	Non-recurrent
19.36 (c) (iii)	Technical cooperation project on International Comparison Programme	1	Non-recurrent
19.36 (c) (iii)	Technical cooperation project on forging new partnerships to end violence against women (statistical component)	1	Non-recurrent
Trade and investment			
19.40 (a) (iv)	Ad hoc expert group on globalization and emerging issues in trade and investment: implications for small and medium-sized enterprise development and export competitiveness	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (a) (iv)	Ad hoc expert group on enhancing access to information sources for negotiations under the Doha Development Agenda	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (b) (ii)	*Finance for Trade Development and the Monterrey Consensus*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.40 (b) (ii)	*Facilitating accession to the World Trade Organization — Country Perspective*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.40 (b) (ii)	*Trade Information Manual for Landlocked Countries in Asia and the Pacific*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.40 (b) (ii)	*Trade Efficiency and Facilitation*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.40 (b) (ii)	*Export Competitiveness as Related to Trade Management and Financing*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.40 (b) (ii)	*Enterprise Development and Promotion of Women's Entrepreneurship*	1	Non-recurrent publication

A/58/6, paragraph	Output	Quantity	Reason for discontinuation
19.40 (b) (ii)	*Promoting Information and Communication Technology Applications in Rural Small and Medium-sized Enterprises for Increasing Export Competitiveness*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.40 (b) (ii)	*Policies and Good Practices for Investment Promotion in Weaker Economies*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.40 (b) (iv) a	Internet database series on managing globalization: trade research and training institutes directory	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (b) (iv) a	Internet database series on managing globalization: upgrading to online maintenance of the *Directory of Trade and Investment-related Organizations of Developing Countries and Areas in Asia and the Pacific*	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (c) (ii)	Regional/national seminar on trade and information technology enabling policies (20 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (c) (ii)	Regional seminar on mutually supportive trade liberalization and development policies (20 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (c) (ii)	Seminar on capacity-building in trade and investment information sources networking making use of information and communication technology (20 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (c) (ii)	Seminar on trade management and financing (20 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (c) (ii)	Seminar on trade efficiency and facilitation (20 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (c) (ii)	Seminar on strengthening capacities in investment promotion and facilitation (30 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.40 (c) (ii)	Training on enterprise development and entrepreneurship including women entrepreneurs (60 participants)	2	Non-recurrent
19.40 (c) (ii)	Subregional investment forums (400 participants)	4	Non-recurrent

A/58/6, paragraph	*Output*	*Quantity*	*Reason for discontinuation*
19.40 (c) (ii)	Workshops and associated activities on the capacity-building and networking of business associations especially in the developing countries and countries with economies in transition, in particular the least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States (100 participants)	2	Non-recurrent
Transport and tourism			
19.44 (a) (i) b	Report on the outcome of the International Ministerial Conference on Transit Transport Cooperation	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (a) (i) b	Report on the implementation of the New Delhi Action Plan on Infrastructure Development in Asia and the Pacific	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (a) (iii) a	Subcommittee on Transport Infrastructure and Facilitation and Tourism: plenary	6	The Ministerial Conference on Transport will be held instead
19.44 (a) (iii) b	Subcommittee on Transport Infrastructure and Facilitation and Tourism: report on the implementation of the New Delhi Action Plan on Infrastructure Development in Asia and the Pacific	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (a) (iii) b	Subcommittee on Transport Infrastructure and Facilitation and Tourism: reports on issues related to transport and tourism	2	The reports to the Ministerial Conference on Transport will be prepared instead
19.44 (a) (iv)	Ad hoc expert group on the Trans-Asian Railway in North and Central Asia	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (a) (iv)	Ad hoc expert group on the Trans-Asian Railway in South Asia	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (a) (vi)	Intergovernmental agreement on the Asian Highway network to facilitate coordinated highway development in Asia	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (b) (i)	*Tourism Review*	1	Reduce number of issues from two to one
19.44 (b) (ii)	Monograph series on managing globalization: *Policy Issues on Sustainable Tourism Development*	1	Non-recurrent publication

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19.44 (b) (ii)	*Regional shipping and port development strategies*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.44 (b) (ii)	*Integrated Asian transport network*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.44 (b) (iii)	Review of international agreements that facilitate the transport of goods and people	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (b) (iii)	Training materials in support of improved capacity-building for institutes involved in transport education and research	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (b) (iv)	ESCAP web page on transport infrastructure (quarterly updates, 2004-2005)	8	The web page will be integrated into the ESCAP web page on transport and tourism to ensure coherence
19.44 (b) (iv)	ESCAP web page on transport facilitation (biannual updates, 2004-2005)	4	The web page will be integrated into the ESCAP web page on transport and tourism
19.44 (c) (i)	Advisory service on tourism development	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (c) (ii)	Meeting of transport planning, management, education and research centres (30 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (c) (ii)	Seminars/workshops on transport infrastructure planning and development (60 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (c) (ii)	Seminars/workshops on activities related to the Asia-Pacific Road Accident Database (60 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (c) (ii)	Seminar on liberalization of transport services (50 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.44 (c) (ii)	Seminars/workshops on shipping and port development strategies (100 participants)	2	Non-recurrent
19.44 (c) (ii)	Meetings on tourism education and training (100 participants)	2	Non-recurrent
19.44 (c) (ii)	Meetings on the promotion of tourism in the Greater Mekong subregion (80 participants)	2	Non-recurrent
19.44 (c) (iii)	Arrangements related to technical cooperation among developing countries tourism development and training	2	Non-recurrent

A/58/6, paragraph	*Output*	*Quantity*	*Reason for discontinuation*
Environment and sustainable development			
19.48 (a) (iii) b	Subcommittee on Environment and Sustainable Development: report on the implementation of World Summit on Sustainable Development targets/decisions related to water and energy resources and environmental management for sustainable development	1	Non-recurrent
19.48 (a) (iv) a	Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific, 2005: plenary	10	Non-recurrent
19.48 (a) (iv) b	Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific, 2005: Reports	3	Non-recurrent
19.48 (a) (v)	Ad hoc expert group on energy services for sustainable development in rural areas	1	Non-recurrent
19.48 (a) (v)	Ad hoc expert group on water-efficiency planning	1	Non-recurrent
19.48 (b) (i)	*Water Resources Journal*	2	Information disseminated through this publication can be more effectively disseminated through the website
19.48 (b) (i)	*State of the Environment in Asia and the Pacific, 2005*	1	The publication will be replaced by the *Greening of Economic Growth* series
19.48 (b) (ii)	*Urban Environmental Governance*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.48 (b) (ii)	*Mitigation Strategies for Dust and Sand Storms in North-East Asia*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.48 (b) (ii)	*Perspectives for Transboundary Energy Cooperation in North-East Asia*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.48 (b) (ii)	*Outcome of the Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific, 2005*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.48 (b) (iii)	Exhibit for the Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific, 2005	1	Non-recurrent

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19.48 (b) (iv)	Information kit for the Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific, 2005	1	Non-recurrent
19.48 (b) (v)	Special event on sustainable development issues for the Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development in Asia and the Pacific, 2005	1	Non-recurrent
19.48 (b) (vi)	ESCAP web page on energy (quarterly updates, 2004-2005)	8	The web page will be integrated into the ESCAP web page on environment and sustainable development to ensure coherence
19.48 (b) (vi)	ESCAP web page on water resources (quarterly updates, 2004-2005)	8	The web page will be integrated into the ESCAP web page on environment and sustainable development to ensure coherence
19.48 (c) (ii)	Seminars/workshops on environmental governance	2	Non-recurrent
19.48 (c) (ii)	Group training on strategic planning and management of energy resources, energy efficiency, advanced fossil fuel technology and renewable energy development	9	Non-recurrent
19.48 (c) (iii)	Arrangements for technical cooperation among developing countries arrangements to facilitate exchange of information and experience and transfer of technologies in the area of energy efficiency, advanced fossil fuel technology and renewable energy development, environmental management, and sustainable water management	3	Non-recurrent
19.48 (c) (iv)	Technical cooperation project on strategic planning and management of energy resources, energy efficiency, advanced fossil fuel technology and renewable energy development	1	Non-recurrent

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Information, communication and space technology			
19.52 (a) (i) b	Commission: Report on the follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society, 2003	1	Non-recurrent
19.52 (a) (ii) b	Committee on Managing Globalization: report on preparations for the Ministerial Conference on Space Applications for Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific, 2006	1	Non-recurrent
19.52 (a) (iii) b	Subcommittee on Information, Communications and Space Technology: report on the follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society, 2003	1	Non-recurrent
19.52 (a) (iv)	Ad hoc expert group on development and sharing of open source software	1	Non-recurrent
19.52 (b) (i)	*Asian-Pacific Journal on Information, Communication and Space Technology*	2	To reduce the number of issues from 4 to 2 through consolidation
19.52 (b) (ii)	Monograph series on *Managing Globalization: regional Information and Communication Technology Complementarities for the Promotion of Sustainable Development*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.52 (b) (ii)	*Promoting Key Information and Communication Technology Partnerships to Bridge the Digital Divide for Sustainable Development*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.52 (b) (iii)	Good practices in information and communication technology policies in Asia and the Pacific	1	Non-recurrent
19.52 (b) (iii)	Compliance with information and communication technology-related multilateral frameworks	1	Non-recurrent
19.52 (b) (iii)	Regional database of regulations, policies and legal frameworks related to information, communication and space technology	2	Non-recurrent

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19.52 (b) (iii)	Databases on population and social indicators and issues (information and communication technology component)	2	Non-recurrent
19.52 (c) (i)	Advisory services on space technology applications for sustainable development	4	Non-recurrent
19.52 (c) (i)	Integration of information and communication technology policies into the overall development framework	2	Non-recurrent
19.52 (c) (i)	Advisory services on development, management and diffusion of information and communication technology applications	4	Non-recurrent
19.52 (c) (ii)	Seminar on exploring regional information and communication technology complementarities and cooperation on regional trade in information and communication technology-related goods and services (20 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.52 (c) (ii)	Regional workshop on promotion of partnerships among information and communication technology stakeholders for sustainable development (30 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
Social development, including persistent and emerging issues			
19.56 (a) (i) b	Commission: report on the Asia-Pacific Leadership Summit on a Commitment to Fight the Spread of HIV/AIDS	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (i) b	Commission: report on the High-level Intergovernmental Meeting to Review the Regional Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and its Regional and Global Outcomes	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (iii) b	Subcommittee on Socially Vulnerable Groups: report on regional follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (v) b	Asia-Pacific Leadership Summit on a Commitment to Fight the Spread of HIV/AIDS: reports	2	Non-recurrent

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19.56 (a) (v) a	Asia-Pacific Leadership Summit on a Commitment to Fight the Spread of HIV/AIDS: plenary	4	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (vi) a	High-level Intergovernmental Meeting to Review the Regional Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and its Regional and Global Outcomes: plenary	10	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (vi) b	High-level Intergovernmental Meeting to Review the Regional Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and its Regional and Global Outcomes: reports	3	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (vii) b	Ad hoc expert group on preparations for the High-level Intergovernmental Meeting to Review the Regional Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and its Regional and Global Outcomes	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (vii) b	Ad hoc expert group on implementation of the Plan of Action on Population and Poverty of the Fifth Asian and Pacific Population Conference	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (vii) b	Ad hoc expert group on development of a regional strategy for the promotion of health and development issues in Government and civil society policies and programmes	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (a) (vii) b	Ad hoc expert group on promotion and implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women with particular emphasis on violence against women and trafficking of women	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (b) (i)	*Asia-Pacific Population Journal*	4	Reduce number of issues from 8 to 4
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Fifth Asian and Pacific Population Conference Follow-up Study on Population and Health*	1	Non-recurrent publication

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19.56 (b) (ii)	*Fifth Asian and Pacific Population Conference Follow-up Study on Population, Sustainable Development and Poverty*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Handbook on rights-based Development for Persons with Disabilities*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Good Practices and Emerging Issues in Meeting the Challenge of Ageing*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Survey on Ageing in Asia and the Pacific 2005*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Key Issues in Strengthening the Social Integration of Disadvantaged Groups in Asia and the Pacific*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Assessment of Progress in the regional Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and its Regional and Global Outcomes*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	Monograph series on emerging social issues: *Violence against Women and Trafficking of Women and Girls in Asia and the Pacific*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	Monograph series on emerging social issues: *Gender and HIV/AIDS in Asia and the Pacific*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Women and Men in Asia and the Pacific (Volume II. Qualitative indicators)*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Community-level Good Practices in HIV Prevention, Care and Support for Policy Consideration*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (ii)	*Regional report on Post-Yokohama Progress in Combating Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth*	1	Non-recurrent publication
19.56 (b) (iii)	Exhibit on information and communication technologies for persons with disabilities	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (b) (iii)	Exhibit to promote a leadership commitment to fight HIV/AIDS in the Asia-Pacific region	1	Non-recurrent

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19.56 (b) (iv)	Information kit on mobilizing responses to fight HIV/AIDS in the Asia-Pacific region	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (b) (iv)	Information kit on post-Yokohama monitoring: tools and outcomes	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (b) (v)	Special event: International Youth Day	2	Non-recurrent
19.56 (b) (vi)	Training materials on health and development for human security, especially for HIV/AIDS-related Millennium Development Goal target fulfilment	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (b) (vi)	Updating of a database on various gender mainstreaming issues	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (b) (viii)	ESCAP Youth Advisory Group on HIV/AIDS	2	Non-recurrent
19.56 (c) (i)	Advisory services on strengthening country-level responses to achieving health-related Millennium Development Goal targets	2	Non-recurrent
19.56 (c) (ii)	Regional seminar on ageing, social protection and social integration (20 participants)	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (c) (iii)	Technical cooperation project on monitoring actions to combat commercial sexual exploitation of children and youth	1	Non-recurrent
19.56 (c) (iii)	Technical cooperation project on forging new partnerships to end violence against women (capacity-building and networking component)	1	Non-recurrent
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